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SPORTS

Track teams look to rebuild with young athletes



Grayling High School's varsity boys and girls track teams – squads that will feature a lot of freshmen this year – are scheduled to compete in their first meet of the season on Monday, April 13.

Tim Gariglio, coach of the girls track team at GHS, and Matt Collins, coach of the boys squad, both said their squads will be young this year after losing several seniors – including a few state qualifiers – to graduation last year. **1B**

First spring sports games, meets scheduled for next week



Weather permitting, the spring sports seasons for several teams at Grayling High School will begin next week.

Five squads – girls soccer, varsity baseball, JV baseball, varsity softball, and JV softball – had games scheduled for prior to spring break, but all of those contests were canceled due to weather issues. Spring break started on April 3, students will return to school on Monday, April 13, and the spring sports seasons will start right away next week – as long as the weather cooperates. **3B**

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Majority of residents at meeting favor opening roads for ORV travel

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A majority of the 40 people who attended an informational meeting hosted by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners for a proposed county ORV ordinance said they would favor opening up all county roads for ORV users.

The meeting was held on Thursday, April 2, at the Crawford County Courthouse. Next, a public

hearing will be held for the ordinance at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 15, at the county board's regular monthly meeting.

Over the past year, Crawford County officials, Crawford County Road Commission officials and local Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) officials have been working on the ordinance and a map where ORV enthusiasts can operate their machines.

Currently, DNR and road commission officials have suggested using some local roads that would link trails in Beaver Creek Township with trails in Roscommon County. A trail loop in South Branch Township would be linked with trails coming in from Oscoda County. Trails in Grayling Charter Township and Frederic Township need links to get ORVs around the county. The road commission has suggested that no

primary county roads be open for ORVs due to safety concerns.

"This is not set in stone, but it's a start for us," said Scott Hanson, a Crawford County Commissioner who has spearheaded efforts to get the ordinance passed in the county.

Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore said that she has received 50 letters and e-mails supporting the adoption of the

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Mercy Manor hosts early Easter outing

Photo by Dan Sanderson

The Easter Bunny made an early visit to Mercy Manor last week and 132 kindergartners from the AuSable Primary School were more than happy to collect the eggs stuffed with candy in the courtyard. The seniors at Mercy Manor have been hosting the Easter egg hunt for the last seven years as a way to give back to the community and stuffed 1,400 eggs for this year's early Easter outing. Above, Anastasia Walker displays a pink egg matching her winter coat as fellow students scurry around in the background searching for Easter eggs. The seniors viewed the activity through the courtyard windows.

Bid process for county building eases forward

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

All systems are go for an addition and renovation of the Crawford County Courthouse.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners, last week, voted to recommend the full board advertise for bids for the county building project at its Wednesday, April 15, meeting.

The addition and renovation of the Crawford County Courthouse will bring the building in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and add an elevator to provide access to the basement floor of the building.

Amanda Porath, structural engineer from Northwest Design Group, said the cost of building and site improvements for the project has increased from \$1.2 to \$1.3 million. She added that engineers are working with architects to tweak final construction costs.

Construction on the building will occur in two phases. First, a temporary entrance will be created where Crawford County Administrator Paul Compo's office is located on the south end front of the building. A sidewalk will be built to link with the existing sidewalks.

The existing entrance of the building will then be closed off by a locked chain linked

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Stimulus money may help pay for Wakeley Bridge Road project

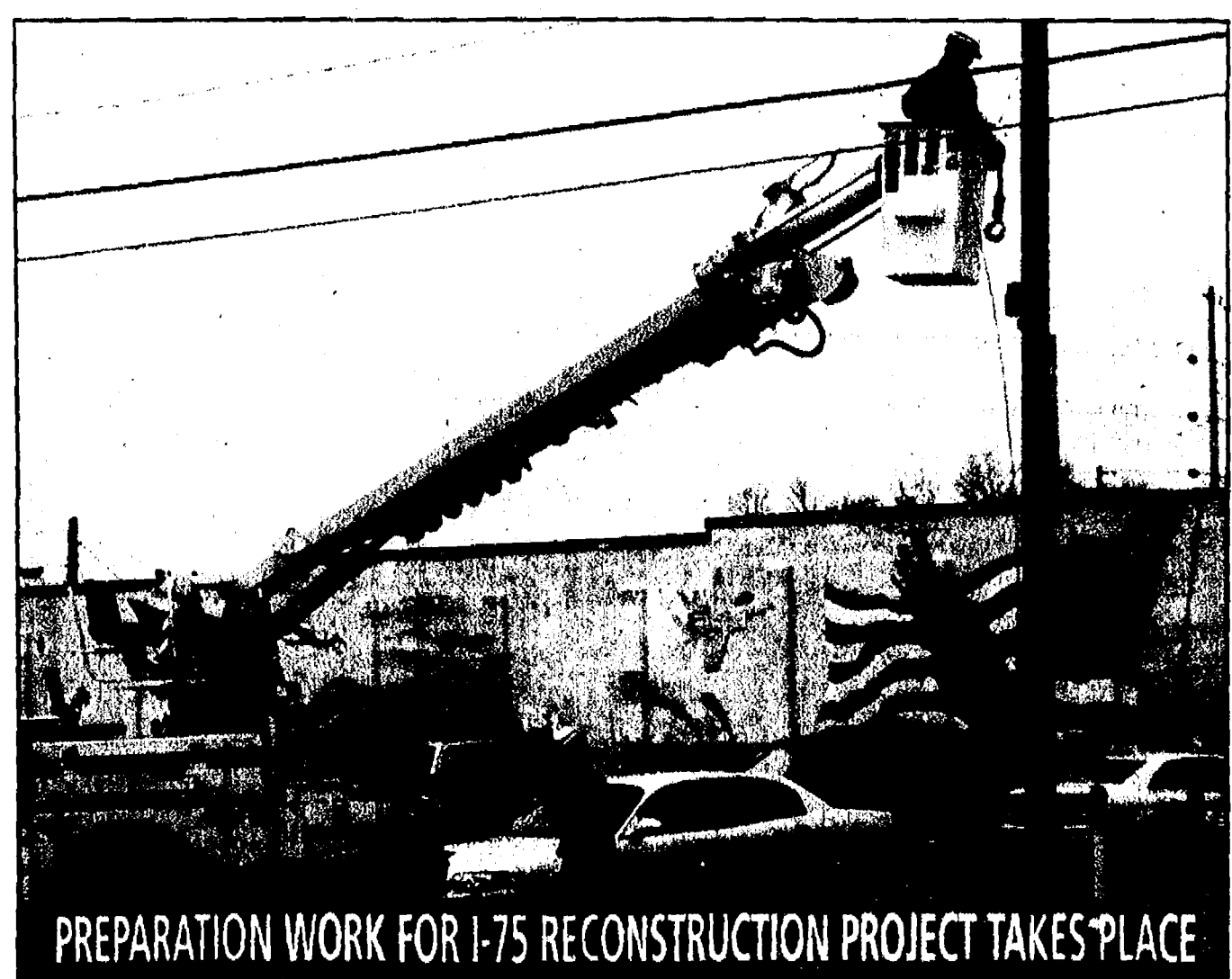
by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

Crawford County Road Commission officials are currently planning ahead for a possible influx of federal economic stimulus money, hoping to reconstruct a portion of Wakeley Bridge Road in 2009 or 2010 if enough money is available.

Don Babcock, Road Commission Managing Director, said the maximum Crawford County could receive in stimulus money this year is approximately \$313,000. Following a public hearing on March 19 – a meeting that also involved the Crawford County Transportation Authority and the City of Grayling – the Road Commission board approved a proposal that would designate approximately \$275,000 in stimulus money for a Wakeley Bridge Road reconstruction project and approximately \$38,000 for the Transportation Authority for equipment.

The public hearing was required because the federal stimulus money for which Crawford County is eligible will be channeled through Rural Task Force #9. Every year, the Task Force is responsible for distributing a pot of state and federal money to

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PREPARATION WORK FOR I-75 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT TAKES PLACE

Photo by Dan Sanderson

A work crew from Verizon relocated a telephone line used by Scott McNamara Ford dealership on Tuesday in preparation for the I-75 Business Loop reconstruction project. Work for the Michigan Department of Transportation's \$4.3 million project is scheduled to start on Monday, April 13. Above, a worker prepares to attach a hook to move the line, with the murals painted on the outside of the American Legion Lounge and Lanes pictured in the background.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

A temporary signal has been installed and in flash mode at the intersection of State Street and Michigan Ave.

On Tuesday, temporary signing installation began. The detour signing will be bagged until it is put into operation.

Several agencies, including MICHCON, Consumers and SM&P will be at the site doing

staking and marking.

M&M will start mobilizing equipment later this week and next week. They will be at the site this week pre-measuring, setting up GPS control and setting up staging.

April 14 is the projected start date. On this date, the detour will go into place and north-bound traffic will be placed on State Street

South bound traffic will continue on one lane of the I-75 Business Loop.

The *Avalanche* will be providing regular construction updates as they become available. This includes detour information and instructions for accessing businesses. Check www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com for the most up-to-date information.

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Weyerhaeuser donates to River House



River House Inc. received a \$5,000 grant from Weyerhaeuser Corporation to purchase new computers and hardware and update the old computer network. River House Inc. serves Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw and Roscommon Counties in the fight against domestic and sexual violence and homelessness. Pictured are Larry Hufnagel, River House financial coordinator, Ian Faulkner, unit general manager for Weyerhaeuser's Grayling OSB mill, and Kriss Goodroe, River house Inc. executive director.

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"It's a small increase, but due to the volatility with the state's economy, we were

excited we had an increase and not a large decrease," Powers said.

School districts receive a \$7,316 per pupil foundation for each student enrolled. Three-fourths of the funding is based on the fall student count.

Powers said he believes the increase is attributed to the fact that the community has a strong school district with a good academic program.

"We would like to believe the student increase is due to the fact we have a respected school district," Powers said. Meanwhile, school

administrators are keeping a keen eye on state lawmakers in hopes that they won't decrease the per-pupil funding and hold steady with school aid funding.

"The best we can hope for is a zero percent increase and not a decrease," Powers said.

School officials are also waiting to hear from federal lawmakers on stimulus money that may help the school district address projects and initiatives.

"There are a lot of number being flown around but we don't how it will impact us quite yet," Powers said.

GHS grad sets her sights on space

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

Chelsea Curriston, a graduate of the Grayling High School (GHS) class of 2006, is living in the space age. Over the last two years, the Michigan Technology University student has worked with a team of her peers to create a satellite.

NASA awarded their project third place in a national competition. Some of the 16 competing schools included Yale, MIT and Princeton. This was only the second time Michigan Tech had entered NASA's competition.

"We had 80 to 90 people working on the satellite,"

Curriston said.

The project was part of Michigan Tech's "Enterprise Curriculum," a program designed to give students some hands on engineering experience.

Michigan Tech's satellite, named "Oculus," was designed to map the trajectories of space debris that orbits the earth.

Curriston described this mission as "space situational awareness." The satellite would be used to photograph space junk to figure out what it is and where it's going.

"I was on the structures team ... mostly I was doing thermal analysis of the satellite," she said.

Essentially, thermal analysis is the process of determining how the satellite will respond to different temperatures in space.

"It's pretty cold out there," Curriston said.

Although there were professors attached to the project as advisors, every phase of the satellite's conception and development was han-

dled entirely by students.

She said that the lack of direct instruction was quite daunting at first.

"I'm so used to just being told, 'hey, go do a thermal analysis on a satellite' ... a what?" Curriston said.

She said that the lack of professor supervision forced her to think independently and problem solve on her own. She would often simulate space conditions in a computerized digital environment.

Although only the winning satellite gets sent into space by NASA, Curriston had the opportunity to demonstrate the project to current GHS students this year.

Curriston will contribute work to an updated version of the satellite in the fall, with hopes that the next edition of Oculus will take the top prize. She reports that the project can be both rewarding and difficult.

"It's pretty exciting for a while ... it's also crazy time consuming and stressful," Curriston said.

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Online Poll Results

Last week's online poll question and results:

Which Final Four team will win the 2009 NCAA men's basketball tournament?

Michigan State (2)	Villanova (3)
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This week's online poll question: How much of the county should be open for ORV traffic?

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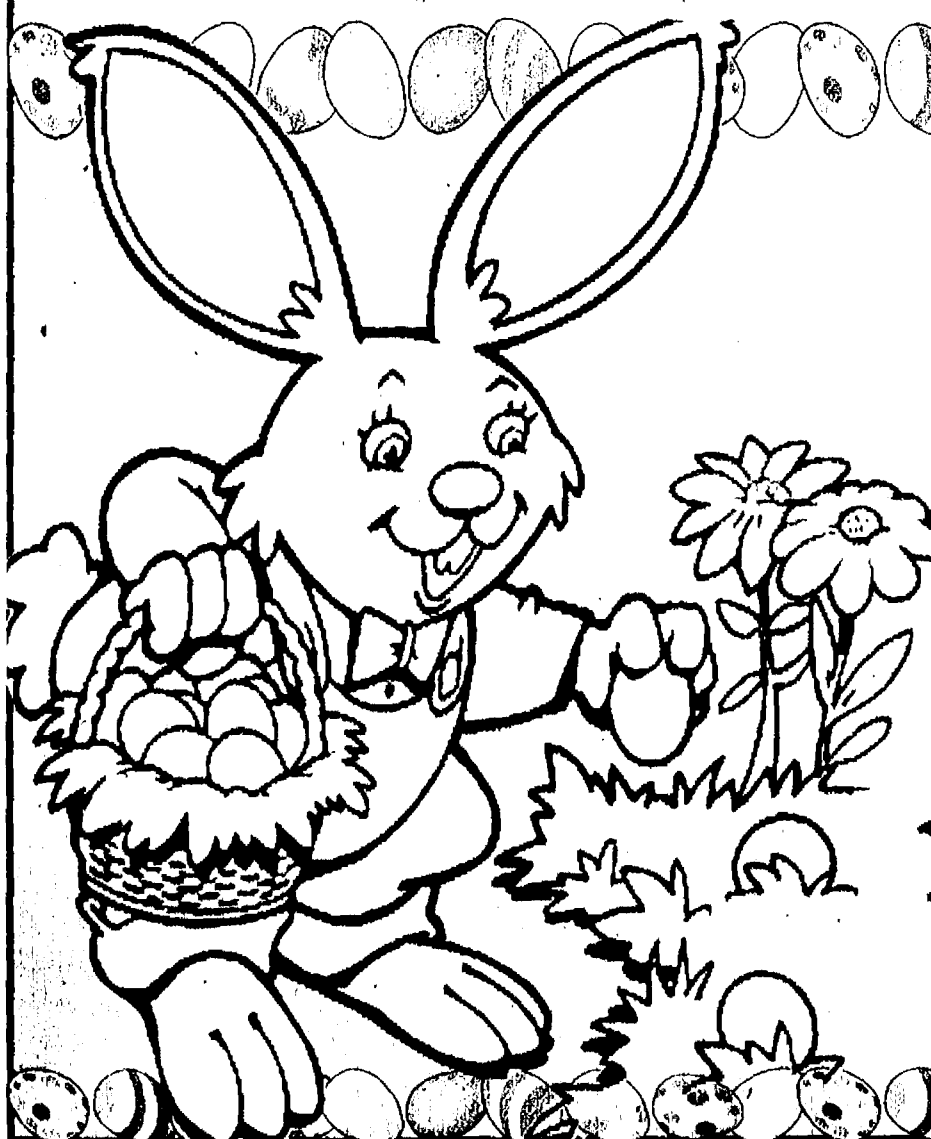
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New building fee to protect homeowners

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Responding to a four-some of state laws, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners is recommending a new permit fee for licensed builders for reroofing homes, residing homes and for window installation.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners is set to approve a \$90 fee that will be charged to builders for reroofing, residing and installing windows at its Wednesday, Aug. 15, meeting.

Joe Duran, director and building official for the Crawford County Building and Zoning Department, said the change was prompted by Senate Bill 452. The state law, which goes into effect on June 1, amends the Michigan Residential Code and incorporates International Residential Code specifications for family dwellings into state building requirements. In addition, the bill requires a licensed residential contractor to do the reroofing, residing and window installation. Operating without a license is a fine between \$5,000 and \$25,000 or one year in jail. A case where a person is killed or seriously injured on a construction job carries the same fines or up to four years in prison.

The three changes are among 15 licensed trades the state is requiring licenses for to complete the work.

Duran recommended the Crawford County Board of Commissioners approve the new fee to protect the unknown public regarding the new building requirements. He is also seeking to have a fee on the permit books to prevent mold and mildew from contaminating homes when window, roofing and siding jobs are not

done properly.

Duran said he has testified in a half dozen cases before a State Attorney General assigned to prosecute construction work, for the Department of Consumer and Industry Affairs, that is not up to snuff. In one recent case, metal roofing on a Crawford County home was not installed to the manufacturer's recommendations.

"Most of us know that, but that was before my watch, so I didn't get a chance to catch that," Duran said of the roofing job.

Duran said that the permit application will allow him to inform contractors that the jobs must be done to a manufacturer's specifications.

Violation of the code can result in steep fines and having to hire another contractor to complete the work correctly.

Duran foresees going to a job site once or twice for the inspection of new homes and remodeling jobs when roofing, siding and window installation is being done. He said that he would coordinate the inspections to be done in one visit.

Duran anticipates doing 30 to 40 inspections per year.

"It certainly isn't for revenue," Duran said. "It's for the health, safety and welfare of the public and to keep their homes from being contaminated from mold and mildew that's driving this."

Three companion bills to Senate Bill 452 spell out penalties and violations for acting as a contractor without a license, establishes the act as a crime and spells out the fees that can be charged by building departments.

Stimulus money may help pay for Wakeley Bridge Road project

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road commissions, transportation authorities, and cities located inside the region's nine northeast Michigan counties.

The Task Force was scheduled to meet on March 20 to distribute the stimulus money, but the meeting was canceled due to issues with some of the counties' proposed road projects. Babcock said there was some confusion over which roadways were eligible for projects involving the stimulus money, and some of the road commissions within Rural Task Force #9 had to switch projects and redo their public hearings. Crawford County was not one of them.

"We're still okay to do what we have to do," Babcock said.

As of last Thursday, the Task Force meeting had not been rescheduled.

Officials at the Crawford County Road Commission are hoping to receive their estimated maximum in stimulus money — they acknowledge that Crawford County may receive less than that, possibly a lot less — and receive it soon enough to reconstruct Wakeley Bridge Road this year. The proposed project would repave the road from M-72 to Wakeley Bridge — the portion of the roadway that the Road Commission pulverized and turned back to

gravel last year due to safety and maintenance issues.

The more time that passes, the less likely the project will be slated for this year, Babcock said.

"Timing is a big issue with all of this," he said.

The proposed stimulus money projects have to go through a lengthy approval process, including the Task Force, the Michigan Department of Transportation, the governor's office, and the federal highway department — "all within 90 days," Babcock said.

With the availability of stimulus money this year, Road Commission officials said they expect a possible logjam during the bidding process since there will be so many road projects coming through. They hope that planning ahead and being ready will allow Crawford County to be one of the first ones in line when the time comes.

"We're ready to turn it in," Babcock said regarding the Wakeley Bridge Road proposal.

The Road Commission has several backup plans in place to deal with the possibility of receiving less stimulus money than anticipated and the chance that the money may not be available soon enough this year to complete the proposed project on Wakeley Bridge Road.

Grayling waives fee for sign relocation

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council has opted to waive fees for businesses that need to move their signs in conjunction with the I-75 Business Loop reconstruction project as well as fees for signs directing motorists to businesses located in the construction zone.

The \$4.3 million I-75 Business Loop reconstruction project is slated to begin on Monday, April 13. The road will be rebuilt between M-72 East and M-72 West.

Between M-72 East and the AuSable River Bridge, the road is being expanded from four to five lanes to add a center turn lane for motorists.

Since some signs in that area of the Business Loop are located in the road right-of-way, the Grayling City Council decided last week to waive the \$50 zoning permit fee to erect new free standing signs to promote businesses that meet the city's zoning requirements.

"It was a reasonable request since they are being forced to move their signs and we wanted to give the business owners a brake given everything else they will be going through during the construction project," said Grayling City Manager David Thayer.

Thayer said the city will

continue to waive the zoning permit fee through 2018 to encourage other business owners in the community to bring their signs in compliance with the city's sign ordinance.

"This extends well beyond the project and this is encouragement to change out their signs," Thayer said.

In addition, Thayer said that fees for temporary signs directing tourists and motorists to I-75 Business Loop businesses and the downtown business district will be waived. The signs will have to receive approval from city officials since most of them will be placed in residential neighborhoods.

"Those requests will continue to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis," Thayer said.

During the I-75 Business Loop project, northbound traffic will be detoured onto State Street, Maple Street and Lake Street. A temporary traffic signal has been placed at Maple Street and Michigan Avenue. Parking will be prohibited on the detour route.

An alternative route for motorists wishing to bypass the project area will be available by using Four Mile Road, Military Road and M-93.

Construction is expected to last through Friday, Oct. 30.

City tweaks ordinance for planning commission

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The City of Grayling will have two more sets of eyes to review projects that come before its planning commission.

The Grayling City Council, at its regular monthly meeting last week, amended its planning commission ordinance to comply with the Michigan Planning and Zoning Enabling Act.

Sponsored by State Rep. Kevin Elsenheimer, R-Bellaire, the Michigan Planning and Zoning Enabling Act replaced the city and village zoning act, county zoning act and township zoning act to modernize the acts and make them uniform with one another.

Important provisions in the act are allowing landowners to create more dwellings on a small parcel of property in a cluster development to increase density in residential neighborhoods, provide green space and curtail sprawl.

The act also provides provisions for planned unit developments and special use permits. Once an application is made to the planning commission, Grayling City Manager David Thayer said it would have 45 days to review, approve or deny the project.

"It forces planning commissions to review projects whether they like them or not and they can't pigeon-hole them," Thayer said.

The act also requires the planning commission to contain an ex-officio member and a chief executive officer to the city. In Grayling, City Councilman Tom Wellman, who has served as a liaison to the planning commission, and Thayer will serve as the two new planning commission members.

The act also provides training for planning commission members, provisions for planners to claim conflicts of interest with a project and protocols to remove planning commission members if they are not fulfilling their duties.

"Overall, it makes for better planning commissions across the state including ours," Thayer said.

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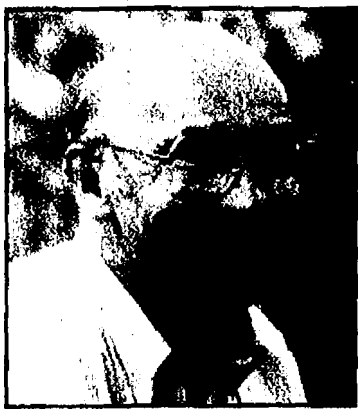
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Issues and Opinions



Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Case against Alaska's Ted Stevens takes odd twist

SOMETIMES LIFE doesn't seem quite fair.

Take, for example, former Alaska Sen. Ted Stevens, 85, who had been in the U.S. Senate since 1968, and is the longest serving Republican in senate history.

He was up for reelection in 2008, and was expected to win handily against Democrat Mark Begich, mayor of Anchorage.

Sen. Stevens ran into unexpected legal problems, however, and after a lengthy and well publicized trial, was convicted on seven felony counts of lying on Senate financial reporting forms by omitting more than \$250,000 in gifts.

Sen. Stevens' name stayed on the ballot, however, and the verdict came in October, just weeks before the election, which Mr. Stevens lost by 3,953 votes.

Mr. Stevens appealed the conviction, and insisted he was innocent.

Now Attorney General Eric Holder, in what has been described as "an extraordinary admission" by the Justice Department, aban-

doned its case against Sen. Stevens, and asked the court to dismiss his conviction due to prosecutorial misconduct.

According to an *Associated Press* story, "the prosecutors who handled the trial have been removed from the case and their conduct is under investigation."

Commented Mr. Stevens: "I always knew that there would be a day when the cloud that surrounded me would be removed. That day has finally come. It is unfortunate that an election was affected by proceedings now recognized as unfair."

It's interesting how things turn out sometimes. Ted Stevens, the powerful Republican incumbent, was charged by a Justice Department which last year was run by a Republican attorney general. Now dismissal of the conviction is requested by the Democratic attorney general.

What about causing Mr. Stevens to lose his reelection, which the trial probably did?

Too bad, Sen. Stevens, but

the election is over, although Gov. Sarah Palin has called for winner Sen. Begich to resign and Alaska hold a do-over election. Sen. Begich, of course, said he has no intention of resigning.

For Ted Stevens right now, life probably doesn't seem quite fair. But heck, 40 years in the limelight - during which his constituents named him Alaskan of the Century - is a pretty good record anyway.

Besides, there's another election coming. The senate seat won't be open in 2010, but the governor's job will be on the ballot and a cleared Ted Stevens will be only 87.

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WAGONER OUT - Does anyone else find it worrisome that the President of the United States fired the top boss at one of America's largest private businesses?

When President Barack Obama forced Chairman and CEO Rick Wagoner to leave General Motors, it should set ablaze all sorts of alarms about the proper roles of the President and

private enterprise.

Leaving aside the comparisons with how the White House has treated the heads of banks and financial institutions which have been gulping down taxpayer dollars for several months, firing Rick Wagoner from GM was a bold and questionable step.

Deciding who should be in charge of a specific private enterprise is the role of the company directors, who - in theory at least - are elected by and represent the stockholders who own the company.

Admittedly changes were in order at GM, especially with the continued pleas of the company for taxpayer support, but should the President and his hand-picked team of Washington insiders call the shots on running the company?

Once the muscle of Presidential selecting business management is flexed, it could - and probably will - happen again. Is that how this country should work?

Not in my view.

* * *

GM JOCKS - The new Obama-selected boss at GM is not unlike the man he replaced.

Frederick A. (Fritz) Henderson also is a GM lifer, with his entire professional career at GM. A Michigan native, Fritz Henderson has a business degree from University of Michigan, and MBA from Harvard in 1984, when he joined GM as a financial analyst. Like Rick Wagoner, Fritz Henderson is from the bean-counting or financial side of GM.

Mr. Wagoner was on the basketball team at Duke, and Mr. Henderson was a pitcher on the baseball team at Michigan. In his senior season, his earned run average was 5.91, which is probably the main reason he went into business instead of professional baseball.

One big difference is salary. Rick Wagoner has been paid \$1 a year at GM, but Mr. Henderson will be paid more \$1 million a year.

Don't weep for Mr. Wagoner, however. His retirement package after

spending his lifetime at GM is a bit over \$20 million.

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BASKETBALL BUCKS - The University of Kentucky basketball program is recognized as one of the finest in the country.

Dissatisfied with results lately, the Wildcats fired their coach of two years and hired a new leader, John Calipari, who had considerable success at Memphis, under an eight-year contract paying about \$4 million a year.

Obviously, Kentucky expects big things, but Coach Calipari cautioned ahead of time: "I'm a regular guy, folks. I do not walk on water. I do not have a magic wand."

Mr. Calipari should continue to look over his shoulder. If Kentucky doesn't win enough under his leadership, maybe President Obama will fire him, too.

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Letters to the Editor

This project promises to test our patience

To the editor:

I attended the March 25 meeting that MDOT held regarding this summer's road work. I was very pleased to see the room was packed with people standing in the back.

Unfortunately, it was the same meeting that I attended once already. The presentation was the same and the presenters were the same, only the audience was different.

It appeared as if none of the concerns expressed during the first meeting had really been addressed. I still get the feeling that when this project is finished summer traffic is going to be hopelessly snarled in the north end of town and pedestrians will only have one truly safe place to cross the business loop. Even that intersec-

tion hasn't been all that safe in the last year.

Either way, we are getting this project exactly the way it was originally planned. I am truly sorry for all the local people who live, work and try to shop here locally. This project promises to test all of our patience.

I hope the businesses find a way to survive and the locals can find a less irritating way around the road work.

Remember, if we don't find a way to patronize our local shops, then they won't be there next year when all of this is over.

Personally, I'm going to buy a bicycle and I may never drive through this town again.

Heidi Farmer
Grayling

You have recourse if you are assessed with a high tax figure

To the editor:

You have a recourse to high taxes if you live in the City of Grayling. If they have tax assessed your home and property to some ridiculously high figure, you have recourse with the state.

The city assessed my home at \$1,933 higher this year (2009), \$60,600 for a 65-year-old home under 800 square feet with a garage.

I ask why the taxes are so high. Home prices were up

in 2008 - that's new to me. People can't give them away for a halfway decent price.

You can go to the Crawford County Courthouse for the paperwork. State of Michigan, Department of Labor and Economic Growth, Michigan Tax Tribunal, Small Claims Division, Lansing, MI, 517-373-3003.

John Speese
Grayling

What kind of message are we sending?

To the editor:

I could not believe what I read in the March 26 edition of the *Avalanche*. A man hits another man with his truck and kills him. Then, he plea bargains and is only charged with operating without a valid driver's license.

How can you kill someone and only get charged with operating without a valid driver's license? What kind of message are we sending to people?

He is only getting one year in jail and a \$200 to

\$500 fine. What about Mr. Neil Louis Pearce and his family? Anyone else would get the 15 years in prison, not just one year in jail.

A life was taken and Mr. Gildner, the man driving the truck had been drinking that day. Mr. Gildner had no insurance and improper plates on the truck.

What about Mr. Pearce's life? I do not like the message I am getting from this story.

Becky Smith
Grayling

Bike path is not to be used as an extra lane

To the editor:

As I was waiting to turn left on Michigan Avenue from State Street at the new stop light, a woman driving a full size car came pulling up to my right in the bike lane.

I'm not sure it has occurred to some, but the lines on the side of the road are not an extra lane to be used by a selected few.

The carelessness of these

individuals make it unsafe for anyone to ride their bike on the reserved sections of street, in addition to blocking the view of traffic.

I wonder how long it is going to take before kids start getting mowed down and people start to think about those painted bicycles on the side of the road.

Sarah Pollock
Grayling

Hopefully words of wisdom will not fall on deaf ears

To the editor:

From time to time, (far too infrequently) great wisdom is given to the people. This writer cannot improve on Mr. Greenberg's wisdom, nor his ability to articulate what so many of us know to be words of truth.

Unfortunately, most of us do not have the ability to express our thoughts as well as he has for us.

We can only hope your words of care and wisdom will not fall on deaf ears.

Michael D. Searles
Grayling

Viewpoint

By Dennis McClure,
Extension Firewise
Educator - Montmorency
County MSU Extension

Fire season is almost upon us

With the recent wildfires in Florida, Texas and New Mexico, and warmer weather just around the corner, hopefully, it is a good time to consider implementing firewise procedures to protect your home. The vast number of home structures that are destroyed in Michigan by wildfires, between 8,000-10,000 a year, are caused by small grass and brush fires. The large wildfire like last May's Grayling Four Mile Road fire is fortunately a true rarity. Unfortunately, April and May are two of the worst wildfire months for Michigan.

Many of the procedures to help your home survive a wildfire are relatively simple and inexpensive. Here are three basic tips to help your survival in a wildfire.

Do not stack firewood right next to your home. A yard fire would probably not ignite a typical house siding, but a nice stack of wood is very likely to fuel into a larger fire.

Rake and dispose of dead leaves in your yard, under your deck, on the roof, in gutters, etc. If you burn them, be very careful, as leaf burning is one of the major causes of wildfires.

Trim conifer trees that are within thirty feet of your home and three to four feet above the ground. This helps keep a grass fire from becoming a tree fire. Also trim or thin them out, so that no branches are touching.

For more information about protecting yourself and your property, or for information about a free MSU Extension Firewise program, contact the Crawford County MSU Extension Office at 989-344-3264. Free presentations are available for local service organizations, youth groups, schools, government entities and others.

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Briefs

COA Out to Lunch at Gaylord

The Out to Lunch Gang of the Grayling Senior Center, 308 Lawndale St., will be dining at BJ's Restaurant and then going to Meijer's on April 16. They will leave the senior center at 9 a.m. The cost for the trip is \$12. For more information or for transportation, call 348-7123.

Organ transplant group to meet

The next meeting for the Organ Transplant Support Group of Northern Michigan will be held on April 9, at 6 p.m., in the conference room in the Professional Medical Building located just behind Otsego Memorial Hospital, 825 N. Center St., Gaylord. The meetings are for anyone interested in organ and tissue donation, persons waiting, those who have received life saving organs and support persons. For more information, call Bev at 989-983-4188, or e-mail at bevo@core.com.

VFW Post #3736 to hold meeting

The VFW Post #3736, and the Ladies Auxiliary, will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 14, at 7 p.m., at the American Legion Hall. This is election time for officers and all members are encouraged to attend.

Sheriff to attend city meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will attend the City of Grayling meeting on Monday, April 13, at 7 p.m. He will be there throughout the meeting, and if necessary, remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

Republican Party to meet

The Republican Party of Crawford County will hold their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 15, at 7 p.m. at the Crawford County Courthouse.

Eagles to hold Easter brunch

The Grayling Eagles #3465 will hold an all-you-can-eat Easter Sunday Brunch on April 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The cost is \$6 for dine in or carry out and is open to the public.

State rep. to hold office hours

State Representative Andy Neumann will be holding office hours in Crawford County on Monday, April 13, from noon until 1:30 p.m. at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, W. M-72. Area residents are encouraged to discuss questions and concerns. For more information about the office hours call 1-877-REP-4106.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Burn permits available online

The Huron-Manistee National Forests remind residents to always obtain a burn permit before burning debris outdoors unless the ground is snow covered. State law requires a permit to conduct any outdoor burning unless at least three inches of continuous snow cover exists in the immediate area of the fire.

Every year, thousands of Michigan residents burn debris. These fires often burn out of control, causing over one third of Michigan's wildfires. "Standing dead" vegetation in fields, swamps and other open areas pose a serious fire danger until "green up," when new vegetation comes in. Property damage from wildfires can be both extensive and costly.

If a fire gets out of control, homeowners are responsible for damages, whether or not a burn permit was issued. Damages can include the cost to fight the fire, the damages incurred by adjacent property owners and the cost to rehabilitate burned-over areas.

The burn permit process is designated as a method to communicate when conditions are favorable to safely burn yard and household debris. Residents may apply for a burn permit online at www.michigan.gov/burnpermit. For those without internet access, a burn permit may be requested by calling 1-866-922-2876.

KCT prepares for upcoming stage productions

The Kirtland Community Theatre group remains hard at work as its members continue rehearsing for their upcoming presentation of Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, "Our Town," on April 16-18.

Members of the KCT will perform the family-friendly production Thursday and Friday, April 16-17, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, April 18, at 2 p.m. at the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, located on the main campus of Kirtland Community College near Roscommon. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$7 for

seniors and \$5 for students. The KCT presentation of "Our Town," is being directed by Jerry Werle of Roscommon and is one of the largest productions put on by the Kirtland Community Theatre. With a cast and crew of 35 people, many members from the surrounding counties have lent their time and talent to this community project.

To purchase tickets, call the KCPA Ticket Office at 989-275-6777. And, for more information on the KCT, visit online at www.kirtland.edu/theatre/.

Raffle Winners

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for April 5 of \$25 each: Carl Neilson, Terry Orr and John Besonen.

Wildlife biologist to speak on managing your property for wildlife

Private Lands Wildlife Biologist Brian Piccolo, Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), will speak during the AuSable Expo on Sunday, April 26, for an introduction on how to make one's private property more wildlife friendly.

Piccolo will present "Landscaping and Managing Your Property for Wildlife" at 3 p.m. in the Oak Room at the Ramada Inn-Grayling.

The Expo will be held at Ramada Inn-Grayling on Saturday and Sunday, April 25 and 26, as a part of the "Up North Experience." Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Special presentations will be held throughout both days.

This presentation will range from landscaping the backyard using eco-friendly techniques to performing more intensive management on woodlots for wildlife habitat.

Piccolo will give an overview of various practices private landowners can employ to provide habitat for a variety of wildlife and to make one's property more wildlife friendly.

For more information about the upcoming Expo, contact Don Mason 989-348-3921, check out www.ausablexpo.com, or <http://www.upnorthlive.com/>.

Agency on Aging announces the availability of funds

The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging announces the availability of funds for fiscal years 2010-2012. In accordance with the Annual Implementation Plan funds are to provide the following services: Congregate Meals, Home Delivered Meals, Personal Care, Homemaker, In Home Respite, Legal Services and Medication Management.

Funds are also available for fiscal year 2010 for the following services: Disease Prevention, Health Promotion, The Merit Award (Adult Day Services) and National

Family Caregiver Support Program.

All funds are available for the following counties: Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon. The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging must receive letters of intent to apply for funds by Friday, April 24, 2009.

For further information contact Misty Dragiewicz, Grants Manager, Region 9 Area Agency on Aging, 2375 Gordon Road, Alpena, MI 49707 or call (989) 358-4613.

Church to hold resurrection drama

The congregation of Soul's Harbor Worship Center will present a dramatization of the Lord's last hour leading up to and including his resurrection.

This is two separate dramas. One depicting his arrest and crucifixion will be held on Good Friday, April 10, at 7 p.m. His resurrection and the first meeting with his disciples will be held on Easter Sunday, April 12, at 11 a.m.

Both presentations will be held at the church which is located at 250 Lake Street in Roscommon.

These presentations will be performed by the Drama Troupe of Soul's Harbor, all in full costume during the day.

Both performances are free to the public with seating on a first come basis. A free will offering will be received.


For more information, contact the church office at 989-275-5309.

Library News

The "Sit n' Knit @ Night" knitting group meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Devereaux Memorial Library. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 14, at 6 p.m. Knitters of all skill levels are welcome.

Daisy Troop 3835 will be introduced to the American Girl Club at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Thursday, April 16, at 3:30 p.m. The girls will learn to make miniature rooms at a program titled "It's a Small World 2" from the book "Tiny Treasures" from the American Girl Library.

For additional information on library programs, call Jane at (989) 348-9214.



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The Bible Speaks

Jewish Holy Scriptures

Paul was also burdened for the souls of the Jews because of the privilege and opportunity they received from God's Holy Scriptures. As Paul told us earlier in Romans 3:12: "What advantage then hath the Jew? or what profit is there of circumcision? Much every way: chiefly, because that unto them were committed the oracles of God." Before the New Testament was even completed and before the churches were born, God had revealed His Old Testament Scriptures to the Jews centuries earlier. Most of the authors of the New Testament who established the early churches were also Jews. As Romans 9:4 says of the Jews: "Who are Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises." Certainly the last four Jewish privileges, "...the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises," concern the revelation, inspiration, preservation, propagation, and practice of Holy Scriptures by the Jews.

God made a covenant with Abraham and his seed in Genesis 15:18 giving him the land, "...from

the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates." This covenant was extended to Isaac in Genesis 17:19, "...for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him." The Mosaic covenant is in Exodus 20-31. The Palestinian covenant is described in Deuteronomy 29-30. The Davidic covenant is in 2 Samuel 7. The New Covenant is in Jeremiah 31.

The giving of the law was first to the Jews through Moses. "For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ." (John 1:17). God revealed the Pentateuch to Moses which included: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. The law in a narrow sense speaks of the 10 commandments, and in a broader sense includes the entire Old Testament as recorded by other Jews.

The priesthood was also given to the Jews. "But ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: men shall call you the Ministers of our God..." (Isaiah 61:6). Aaron was the first high priest. The tribe of Levites were also priests. The Old Testament priesthood was fulfilled by Jesus Christ as stated in Hebrews 6:20: "Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even

Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec." Christ fulfilled the earthly types and shadows of priesthood as Hebrews 10:11,12 state: "And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God." Peter tell us in 1 Peter 2:9 we as believers are made a "royal priesthood." We are told in Revelation 1:6 that Christ, "...hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father..."

Last, God's eternal promises of salvation were first given to the Jews, and are fulfilled through Jesus Christ as Galatians 3:16 says, "Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ." As 2 Corinthians 1:20 says: "For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us." The Jews have rejected a lot of light and privilege by rejecting Jesus Christ. Is He your personal Savior? Pastor "B"

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Obituaries

Muriel R. Marshall

Mrs. Muriel R. Marshall, 94 of Gaylord, died Wednesday, April 1, 2009, at Aspen Ridge in Gaylord.

Mrs. Marshall was born in Grayling on Nov. 9, 1914, the daughter of Benjamin and Gertrude (Sach) DeLaMater. She graduated from high school in 1932, while she and her family were living in Saginaw.

She returned to the Grayling area and married Leland Marshall. They made Grayling their home for the majority of their married life. Muriel had been living in Gaylord since the late 1980's.

She worked for Mercy Hospital in Grayling for more than 10 years and was a member of St. Mary parish and Altar Society in Grayling. Over the years, she remained close with her friends from high school and the "lifetime gang" would meet monthly. Muriel also loved playing bingo.

She was preceded in death by her husband Leland in 1983.

She is survived by her children: Curtis (Linda) of Gaylord, John (Jolene) of Traverse City and Mary Lee (Charles) Butcher of Gaylord; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sister, Bonnie Johnson of Gaylord; special niece and her husband Tricia and Jerry Coger of Gaylord.

Her brother, Howard DeLaMater, preceded her in death.

Memorial services will be held on Monday, April 6, at 11 a.m. from St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord with Rev. John McCracken officiating. The family will receive friends at the church on Monday beginning at 10 a.m.

Mrs. Marshall will be buried next to her husband at Elmwood Cemetery in Grayling.

Memory contributions may be made to St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord, through the Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord, MI 49734.

Friends may share condolences online at www.nelsonsfuneralhome.com



Laura Bertl

Laura Bertl, 97, of Roscommon, died March 29, 2009, at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

She was born Sept. 22, 1911, in Maple Forest Township, near Frederic, to the late James F. and Ada M. (Hollingsworth) Knibbs.

After attending a one-room country school through 8th grade, she graduated from Grayling High School in 1929.

On Nov. 10, 1931, she married Fritz Bertl and moved to Roscommon where she helped her husband run two businesses, the Chevrolet-Oldsmobile Dealership and the Roscommon Gas and Oil Mobile Products distributorship.

She was an active member of the First Congregational Church of Roscommon, was a life member of OES Fidelity Chapter #50 in Roscommon and, with the consolidation of the Roscommon and Grayling OES Chapters, she was a current member of Fidelity Chapter #83 in Grayling.

Surviving are her daughters, Camilla DeWitt of Roscommon and Lenora (Robert) Huber of Higgins Lake; eight grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; son-in-laws, Howard "Corky" Gaylor and Jerry DeWitt both of Roscommon; and two sister-in-laws, Mary Jane Knibbs of Grayling and Iris Knibbs of

Roscommon.

She was preceded in death by her husband Fritz in 2000, her daughter, Barbara Gaylor; a great-grandson, Gregg II; two infant sisters; two brothers, Leonard and James Knibbs; and a half brother, Kenneth White.

Funeral services were held Thursday, April 2, 2009, at First Congregational Church in Roscommon with Pastor Mark Davidson officiating.

Burial was in Gerrish Township Cemetery, Roscommon. Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon, handled the arrangements.

Memorial donations may be made to the First Congregational Church or the American Lung Association.

Mary G. Callewaert

Mary G. (Blank) Callewaert, 77, of Grayling, went to her lord and savior on March 31, 2009.

She retired from the Utica Community Schools and moved to Grayling in 1985.

Mary is survived by her son, William Blank, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by husbands Joseph Callewaert and Elmer Blank, and her daughter, Deborah Rugenstein.

Memorials may be made to the Susan G. Komen Detroit Race for the Cure, 4100 John R., Detroit, MI 48201.

Per her wishes no services are scheduled. Please sign the guest book and leave a memory for the family at www.lifestorynet.com <<http://www.lifestorynet.com>>/. Arrangements by Life Story Funeral Home, Traverse City.

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, April 10 - Closed. Good Friday.

Saturday, April 11 - Foot clinic, cost is \$15. Call 821-5428 for an appointment and bring your own towel.

Monday, April 13 - Lunch - Chicken stir-fry, brown rice, peas and a plum. Dinner - pork chop, glazed sweet potatoes, asparagus and applesauce. 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Back on Duty, 1 p.m. Bridge and computer class.

Tuesday, April 14 - Lunch - Swedish meatballs with noodles, carrots, green beans and cinnamon applesauce. Dinner - baked chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy,

Brussels sprouts and pears. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes and Bible Study, 12:30 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, April 15 - Lunch - smoked sausage, sauerkraut, corn and peaches. Dinner - stuffed cabbage, green beans, carrots, oranges and grapefruit and brownies. 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. pool league, 2 p.m. caregiver class, 5:30 p.m. Price is Right game show.

Thursday, April 16 - Lunch - pork roast with stuffing, broccoli, cauliflower and honey-nut apples. Dinner - beef stroganoff, mixed vegetables, cauliflower and pineapple. 9 a.m. Out to Lunch Gang to Meijer's in Gaylord, 10 a.m. craft class, 2 p.m. UNO Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

Church Directory

Christian Science Society
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
(989) 732-7001
Sunday Service 10:30 am
April through October
2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 pm
Sunday School 10:30 am

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo
400 Michigan Ave. - (989) 348-2974
www.mmm-umc.org - Barrier Free
Traditional Service 9 am
Coffee Hour 10 am
Sunday School (preschool - 3rd grade) 11 am
Adult Sunday School 10 am
Praise & Worship Service 11 am
(Childcare Available)

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor: David Jorgensen
(989) 348-1909
Services held Saturday at Camp Ausable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance)
Saturday Church Service 9:30 am
Saturday Sabbath School 10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 pm

Lovells Community Chapel
(Bible based and non-denominational)
Pastor: Larry Hankins
8133 Bald Hill Rd. - Lovells
(989) 348-2701
Sunday School (youth & adult) 9:30 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Wed Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm

Grayling Free Methodist
Pastor: Rick Secord
6652 M-72 West - (989) 348-9093
Early Service 8:30 am
Sunday School 10 am
Morning Service 11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

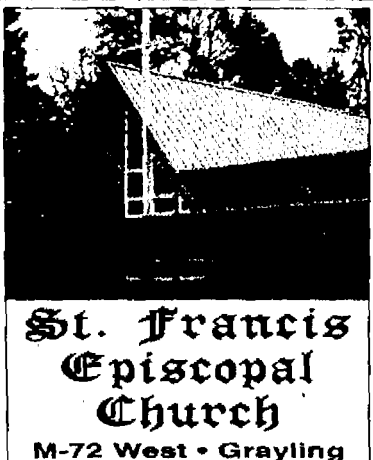
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Pastor: Ernie Wagner - (989) 348-1411
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1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
(1/4 mile west of I-75)
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Pastor: Gary Wojdan
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
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Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Service 6 pm
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M-72 West - Grayling
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Pastor: Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm

Unity Church of Today North
Minister: Terry Dickinson
Virtual Church - an E-mail Bible Study available at thurd@freeway.net

Luzerne Baptist
Pastor: James Durfee
2247 Durfee Lane
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Morning Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor: Patricia Petrie - (989) 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School 10 am
Sun. Service, Children's Church & Youth Service 11 am
Sunday Evening Service 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
(van transportation available)

Community of Christ
Pastor: Ann Doty
North Down River Rd. at
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The JCPenney Afterschool Fund has awarded a \$1,000 grant to Crawford AuSable Day Care, to provide children in the Grayling area with access to safe, life enriching afterschool programs.

Made on behalf of JCPenney Catalog Merchant Jamie Greer and to raise awareness of the

importance of afterschool programs for youth in the community, the grant will help Crawford AuSable Day Care provide local children in need with access to life enriching afterschool programs that keep them safe and foster their academic, physical and social development. "We realize that the afterschool issue is a cause

close to the hearts and minds of our customers," says Greer, Manager of the JCPenney Catalog Store located inside of the J.DAP Co. "We share the commitment of JCPenney and the JCPenney Afterschool Fund to the youth of this community and we look forward to the day when all children will have access to essential

afterschool programs that help them to reach their full potential."

"This gift from the JCPenney Afterschool Fund will help us to continue to reach more children in Grayling and provide them with programs that keep them safe when the school day ends," says Margaret Skidmore, Director of the Crawford AuSable Day Care. "We're fortunate to be among the programs that will benefit from JCPenney Afterschool Fund support in thousands of communities across the nation this year."



Crawford AuSable Day Care was the recipient of a \$1,000 grant from the JCPenney Afterschool Fund. Pictured above is Jamie Greer from the Grayling JCPenney Catalog Store, along with children from the daycare.

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There are plenty of alternatives to trashing old clothes that have been outgrown, over worn or have gone unused.

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are too worn out, consider stripping them to be used as rags.

There is a fun way to memorialize those special nostalgic shirts that can no longer be worn but are hard to let go. They can be cut up and sewn into a quilt. A quilt of old shirts or shirts of other kinds of event/tees can make a great graduation present full of memories.

Have your own recycling suggestion. Share it with the community. Send an e-mail to comment@crawfordcountyavalanche.com or write to: Crawford County Avalanche, P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738. Look for a new recycling tip in next week's issue.

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AuSable Family Dental relocates

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

Another Grayling business has proven that it's here to stay. AuSable Family Dental, headed by Dr. Ralph Oppermann, has just relocated to a much larger new location on 800 E. Michigan Ave., near the public library.

"We had outgrown our old space," Oppermann said. "This allows us more parking. This allows us more options for future technology."

AuSable Family Dental had operated at 234 E. Michigan Ave. since 2003. They reopened at the new location last week.

"We've doubled the size of our facility," Oppermann said.

He added that having more workspace should be a great benefit to patients.

"It's going to allow us to be more efficient with our time," Oppermann said.

The larger facility has allowed the practice to add new staff. They have already hired a new hygienist and are in the process of adding a second dentist. Extra staff translates to a shorter waiting time and more scheduling flexibility.

"That's what it's really going to boil down to, is the availability for our patients," Oppermann said.

Patients also have access



Dr. Ralph Oppermann has been serving the community since 2003. "We made our transition over here and it went really well," he said.

to an expanded, log cabin style waiting area.

"We're kind of going for an up-north cottage feel," Oppermann said.

Other additions, including digital X-ray, are planned for the near future.

"As dentistry grows, we're coming into new technology," Oppermann said. "There's new devices that

need to be integrated into the building."

As the practice integrates new services, their old services and rates will remain the same.

"We haven't changed a thing," Oppermann said.

Oppermann, a Grayling High School graduate, said he is committed to his local patients.

"This is home. This is where I grew up," he said.

He looks forward to serving patients at the new location for years to come.

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Military News

Cadet Airman Caleb A. Buttigieg has been appointed to the position of Cadet Commander in the Civil Air Patrol in Grayling on March 5.

Buttigieg is a member of the AuSable Valley Composite Squadron, GLR-MI-277. He will be going into the history books as the first Cadet Commander of the AuSable Valley Composite Squadron. As Cadet Commander, Cadet Airman Buttigieg will establish plans and procedures to accomplish the policies established by the unit commander and serves as liaison between senior and cadet staff.

First Lieutenant Griffin, Commander of the AuSable Valley Composite Squadron, said during the ceremony, "Caleb's participation and knowledge to this point makes him stand above his peers." Griffin also said, "I am sure Cadet Buttigieg will continue to bring excellence and pride to himself, his family and his unit."

Civil Air Patrol's Cadet Program is designed to pro-

vide youth, from age 12 through age 20, with a safe, encouraging environment in which to learn, mature and explore opportunities to help them reach their potential as adults.

Cadets participate in a structured program through group and individual activities that include aerospace education, physical training, leadership and moral and ethical values. The program encompasses 16 achievement levels that include study in these four areas. Upon completion of each achievement, the cadet earns increased cadet rank, decorations, awards, eligibility for national and international special activities and an opportunity for flight and academic scholarships.

The program aims to produce well-rounded, confident young people equipped to meet the challenges of adulthood.

Buttigieg joined the Civil Air Patrol in July 2008.

Civil Air Patrol, the official U.S. Air Force Auxiliary, is a civilian, volunteer, nonprofit, service organization. The unpaid



Cadet Airman Caleb A. Buttigieg

members perform more than 85 percent of inland search and rescue missions as tasked by the Air Force Rescue and Coordination Center. Volunteers also take a leading role in aerospace education and conduct one of America's finest youth programs through CAP Cadet Programs.

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Future of Sawmill Tavern still undecided

by Matt Seager
 Staff Writer

For about two weeks, the streetscape on Michigan Ave. wasn't quite so sparse. The Sawmill Tavern was temporarily reopened from Mar. 25 until April 7 to "test the waters." Although the future of the business is still uncertain, the business is likely to reopen in one form or another sometime in the near future.

"We decided to do this soft food opening," said manager Gary Jurkovich.

Sawmill LLC, a conglomerate that includes Jurkovich, past Sawmill owner Dale Neilson and his daughter, Cory Neilson, reacquired the business in February.

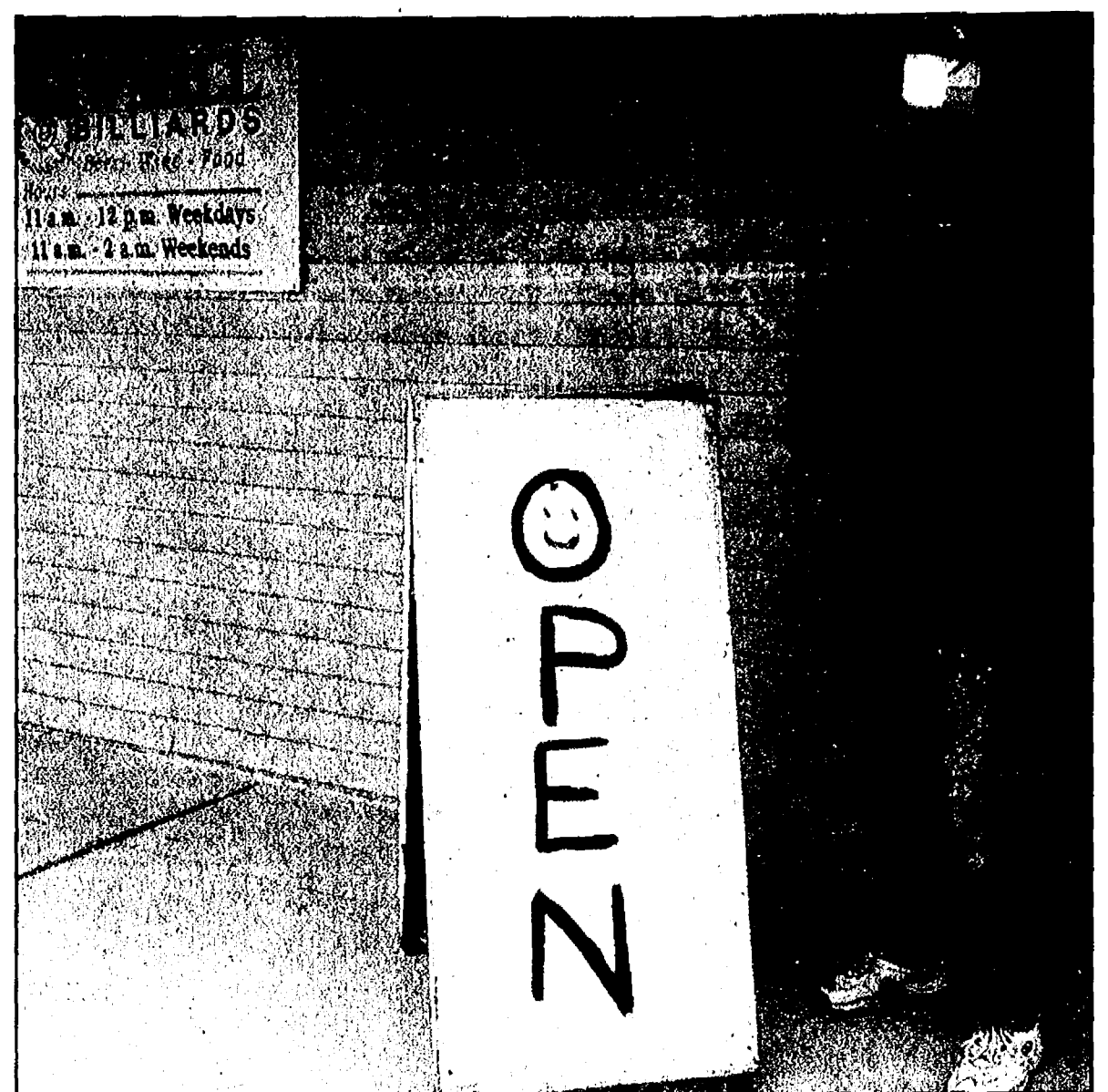
"We had actually sold the business a few years back," Jurkovich said.

The tavern was closed in April last year.

"The new buyers were not able to keep the business going," Cory said.

Sawmill LLC was formed to reacquire the business, although they have yet to reactivate its liquor license, which is currently held in escrow.

The tavern's kitchen has



Gary Jurkovich managed the Sawmill Tavern during its two week reopening. Permanently reopening the business as a bar is one of the many possibilities that is currently being considered.

also failed approval for reopening from the local health inspector in its current condition. According to Jurkovich, it was mandated that the facility requires an update.

The recent reopening featured cold food only. This "trial period" was intended to measure community interest before Sawmill LLC makes the next step.

"We're going back to our

steering committee meeting to see how things went," Jurkovich said.

Jurkovich said that there's a "big possibility" that the Sawmill Tavern will be reopened as a bar.

"We do have a party interested in buying it," Jurkovich said.

Sawmill LLC committee members report that they have confidence in the potential buyers.

"It would probably be a great match for them to take over the business," Cory said.

Nonetheless, it is still uncertain whether the interested party has the capital to finance the transition. There are other roadblocks, too.

"The biggest holdup is honestly the transfer of the liquor license," Cory said.

The reactivation of the license is likely to take between three and six months.

In light of these hurdles, other possibilities are also being considered.

"We would maybe do like a Christian music place for kids to hang out," Jurkovich said.

If the Sawmill Tavern does reopen with a liquor license, it will likely be a far cry from the business it once was.

"There is enough room to make a really nice restaurant," Jurkovich said.

Essentially, they hope to avoid the late night party crowd.

"We really want those people who want to sit down, have a beer, watch TV and just kind of socialize," Jurkovich said.

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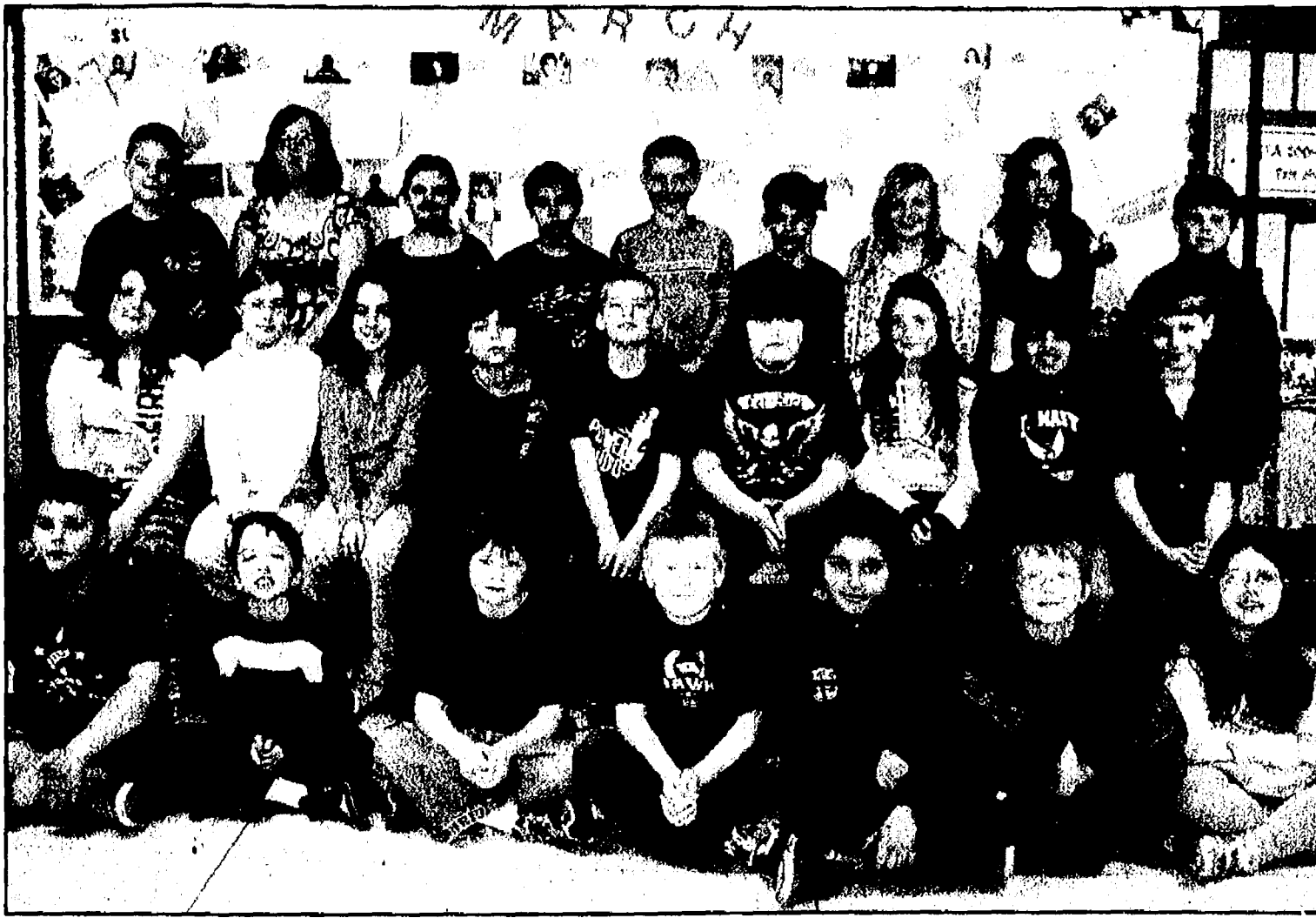
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GES names writers of the month



These third, fourth and fifth grade students were selected by their teachers as being the most outstanding writers in their classrooms for the month of March. (From left to right, front row) Ethan Berry, Teemu Garrity, Austin Isenhauer, Ryan Pummell, Ellie Carr, Justin Parkinson, Julia Weaver; (middle row) Brooke Torok, Danielle Linderer, Ashley Haring, Justin Beesley, Shaun O'Connor, Ron Woidan, Miranda Simpson, Ankur Patel, Beau Dutton; (back row) Garrett Anderson, Ashley Langowski, Erika Cannoy, Greg Alma, Nic LaLonde, Brandon Molands, Ciarrah Smith, Marissa Stewart. Not pictured, Jessica Shippy.

GES students raise the bar with science fair projects

Students at Grayling Elementary School broadened their knowledge of science and technology with their science fair projects.

The students worked on their science fair projects throughout the month of March. The culmination of their results were displayed and recognized with a Science Fair Fun Night held on Tuesday, March 31.

The science fair projects were judged by Crawford AuSable Schools Superintendent Joe Powers, Grayling Elementary School Principal Melissa Stone, Grayling Elementary teachers, Kirtland Community College instructors and advanced placement students from the Grayling Middle School.

"Congratulations are due to all of the student participants for making the judge's decisions so difficult with

all of the outstanding projects," Stone said.

The winners of the science fair projects were:

Third Grade: Grand Prize - Hannah Smock; first place - Alyssa Ankney and Dylan Greene; second place - Ryan Pummell; third place - Taylor Delaney and Teemu Garrity; fourth place - Autumn Robson and Morgan Brigham; fifth place - Anna Fisher and Serene Louchart. The Superintendent's Award - Madison Helsel; Principal's Award - Sydne McCuan; Teacher's Awards - Cody Bonamie, Susan Moggo and Becca Cheney and Parker Learman.

Fourth Grade: Grand Prize - Easton Farrell; first place - Courtney Hickman and Alayna Cobb and Lacey Morse; second place - Josh Hetfield and Fred Fisher and Megan Oppermann and

Nadia Buterakos; third place - Ariel Collier and Carly Cross and Jenna Bryan; fourth place - Lucas Hiar and Roger Walsh; fifth place - Charles Nichols, Ashley Haring, Noah Kolka and Emma Prosser. Superintendent's Award - Sawyer Dewitt; Principal's Award - Maddi Gauthier and Hannah Thomas; Teacher's Awards - Isaac Livermore, Beau Dutton, Cora Eldridge, Molly Leslie, Daniel Linderer, Brianna Sheer and Jacalyn Denton.

Fifth Grade: Grand Prize - Emily Jackson; first place - Mark Beckwith and Maryn Burrell and Jordan Myers; second place - Nick Hardick; third place - Joe Petrosky and Zackary Teal and Christopher Prisco; fourth place - Bailey Smith, Dakota Mansfield and Michael Phipps and Sara

Pavey and Kimberly Cook; fifth place - Thomas Barnes, Shae-Lyn Krayes and Kelsey Palmer. Superintendent's Award - Jordan Denton; Principal's Award - Erica Umlor and Ashley Branch; Teacher's Awards - J.C. Bertram, Ashley Stout, Annalise Holcomb, Maryn Burrell and Jordan Myers, and Nick LaLonde and Elijah Robbins.

The overall Grand Prize winner for the science fair was Emily Jackson.



Photo by Dan Sanderson

Students at Grayling Elementary School broadened their knowledge of science and technology with their science fair projects. The students' month long work on their projects culminated with a Science Fair Fun Night held on Tuesday, March 31. Above, third grader Wesley Black stands next to a huge display he made with K'NEX toys to demonstrate working gears.

Honors

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Cassandra Pizzi, of Grayling, and Katelyn Fortin, of Fairview, were named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the Fall 2008 semester. To be named to the Dean's List, students must maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average for the term.

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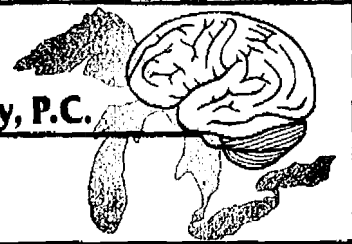
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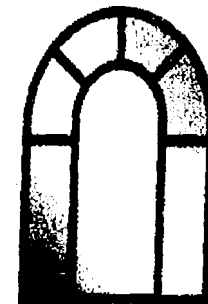
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Majority of residents at meeting favor opening roads for ORV travel

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ordinance.

Susan Thiel, unit manager for the DNR's Grayling Forest unit, said Crawford County is more limited for developing new trails and finding trail connections than other counties due to the endangered Kirtland's Warbler, the Manistee and AuSable River systems and the large amount of military training ground in the county.

Instead of turning into a debate between people for and against the ordinance, residents at the meeting battled over rights that other recreational vehicle users have on local roads and state land.

"If you own them and can't ride them, what's the sense?" questioned Joe VanNuck, a Beaver Creek Township resident. "Nothing against snowmobiles, but they can go anywhere they want."

Thiel said that some of the snowmobile trails were achieved through leases with private property owners who don't fear property damage and noise in the winter. Thiel, however, said property owners haven't been approached for similar leases for ORV trails since they have previously said they would be against property damage, erosion and noise issues caused by the machines.

"We just can't put them out there on some of those trails because it would be violating those agreements," she said.

Monty Bidwell, a Grayling Charter Township resident, suggested the ordinance include language which allows people to ride ORVs to visit neighbors or get on trails in close proximity to their homes.

"If you have to put them

on a trailer, you might as well take it all the way, so there is no advantage to open the roads up," Bidwell said.

Hanson said allowing people to ride ORVs near their homes would create havoc for county residents and cause more road and erosion damage to occur.

"If the roads get torn up anymore than they already have been, we would have no choice but to shut the whole thing down because we can't afford to maintain them," Hanson said.

Hanson said some discussion has taken place with Camp Grayling military officials about allowing trail connections for trails in the northwest portion of the county.

Snowmobiles are allowed to operate on military land when training is not underway in the winter. Sgt. 1st Class Tina Brooks, from Camp Grayling's range control, said residents are informed when live fire exercises are being conducted on the ranges. Still, some ORV operators bypass the gates and end up in the safety danger zones around the ranges, put in place for potential straying and ricocheting high caliber bullets. This causes range control officers to request flyovers and remove civilians before planned training can proceed.

Hanson said the ORV operators would face stiff penalties for going on military land or state forest land closed off to ORV use.

"If you get on those roads, you're going to get pinched and it's not going to be cheap," Hanson said.

South Branch Township resident Mark Blossfeld favored starting the ORV ordinance with a limited

number of open roads. That would result in less machines traveling by homes, less trespassing problems and would curtail decreasing property values if people opt to leave the county.

"It is up to the responsibility of the guy driving to know where he is at," Blossfeld said.

Thiel said DNR conservation officers and state police would issue tickets for ORV violations on state land, but could not enforce a local county ordinance.

Hanson said that the county board needs input from residents, township officials and City of Grayling officials to make hard decisions about the ordinance and the opening of potential roads. Hanson added that Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies would pursue an ORV violator if they are on a county road and try to escape into the state forest to avoid a ticket.

"What we have to do here is get it approved by the county to get it enforced," Hanson said.

Grayling Charter Township resident Harold Stegmen, who works in the communications business, said he has concerns about enforcement of ORV violations, but does support the ordinance.

"Every county, right down the line, has budget problems," Stegmen said.

County officials also face the task of connecting roads and trails with gas stations, restaurants and stores in Grayling, Frederic and Lovells.

"Grayling needs revenue," said Pam Barringer, a Grayling Charter Township resident. "We're a tourist town."

One idea suggested was

obtaining an easement from the Michigan Department of Transportation and Lake States Railway to connect trails located northwest of Grayling.

Rich Filley, president of the AuSable Valley Snowmobile Association, predicted chances of gaining an easement would be difficult due to safety precautions already put in place to keep snowmobile operators away from the railroad tracks.

"I think that argument is pretty much out of the question," Filley said.

Hanson said the ORV operating season in the county would begin on March 31 and shut down on Nov. 15 for firearms deer season and before snowmobilers hit the trails. He also suggested that some areas around Lake Margrethe be opened during the winter months to prevent congestion of ice fishermen at the lake landings.

Thiel said that the state has funding to develop and enhance ORV trails to boost tourism and create an internetwork of trails to provide good ORV riding opportunities. Thiel, however, said the state also has to contend with people who ride motorcycles, use ORVs or ATVs, and the emergent use of Argos, Mules and golf carts on the trails.

"One single trail system is not going to meet everybody's needs," Thiel said.

County officials said they are working in conjunction with the AuSable Valley Snowmobile Association to develop a map for an ORV trail system. Hanson said input from residents and local officials would have to be received before the Sept. 1 deadline, when the map needs to be ready for production.

Bid process eases forward

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fence for the building additions and renovations. Temporary plywood walls will be erected on the inside of the building to prevent people from walking into the construction zone.

"There's two stages and there will be some new and some old combined for awhile," Porath said.

Once an occupancy per-

mit is obtained for the new building addition, work crews will then focus on the basement level of the building. The cement stairs will be removed and the occupancy of the basement will be limited to 49 people.

If work crews are in the mechanical room in the basement, they will inform Central Dispatch when they go into the area and leave the area as a safety precaution.

"Those are compromises we made to get this construction done," Porath said. "The plan will be adjusted

as we go along."

Advertisement for bids will be published in the *Crawford County Avalanche* and Michigan Contractor and Builder, a building trades journal, after the April 15 meeting.

The bids will be opened on Friday, May 15. Porath is expected to have the recommendation for the contractor for the job by the county board's Wednesday, May 20, meeting.

The construction contract for the job will be awarded in early June and work is expected to start afterwards.

County officials opted to advertise the bids for a full month in hopes of getting favorable bids in the current construction market. Officials also have to ensure

that the \$1.5 million in bonds being issued to fund the project are sold and there is a buyer for the bonds.

"We wanted to establish May 15 as the drop dead date, but if we can move it forward a little bit, we will definitely do that," said Mike Lange, a Crawford County Commissioner who is chairman of the ways and means committee.

In related news, Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore said she gave seniors circulating a petition, to prevent county funding from being used to move the Grayling Senior Center to the Grayling Fish Hatchery building, a Monday, April 13, deadline. The actual deadline to have the petitions submitted to the county is Sunday, April 12. Seniors were given the extra day since the county building is closed on the weekends.

If 10 percent of registered voters in the county - 1,500 people - sign petitions protesting the bond sale, the financing measure would have to be placed on a ballot to be decided by voters.

In February, the county board authorized up to \$1.5 million to renovate the fish hatchery building to house the senior center.

Vivian Powers, a senior spearheading the petition drive, could not be reached for comment regarding the number of signatures seniors have gathered.

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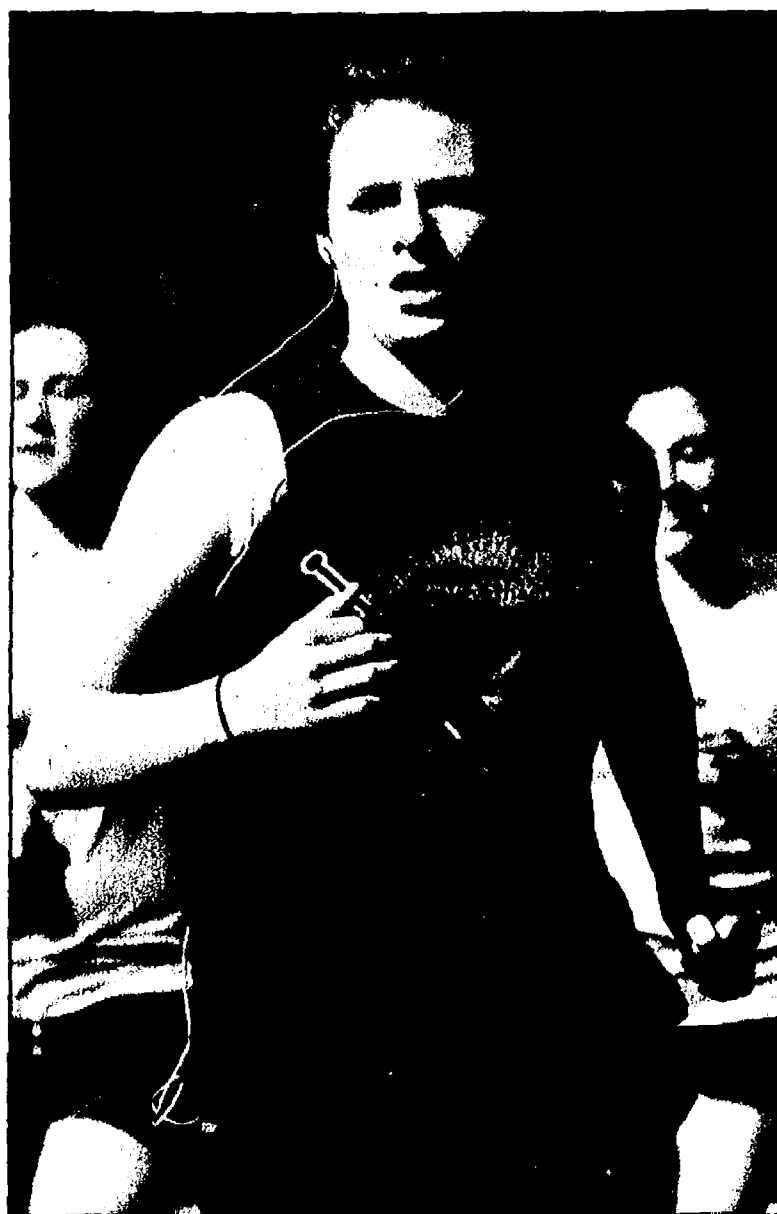
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Becky Hohl, left, throws a shot put during a recent track practice. Haley Wiseman, center, a distance runner for the Vikings, works out during practice on Friday, March 27. Sprinter Hailey McMahon, right, runs on the track at GHS.

Track teams look to rebuild with young athletes

Vikings to open season with East Jordan meet on Monday

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

Grayling High School's varsity boys and girls track teams – squads that will feature a lot of freshmen this year – are scheduled to compete in their first meet of the season on Monday, April 13.

Tim Gariglio, coach of the girls track team at GHS, and Matt Collins, coach of the boys squad, both said their squads will be young this year after losing several seniors – including a few state qualifiers – to graduation last year.

"Other than (our team captains), we have a big group of freshmen and people new to the team," Coach Gariglio said. "We're on a rebuilding year."

"Hailey McMahon is the only returning state qualifier from last year," Coach Gariglio said.

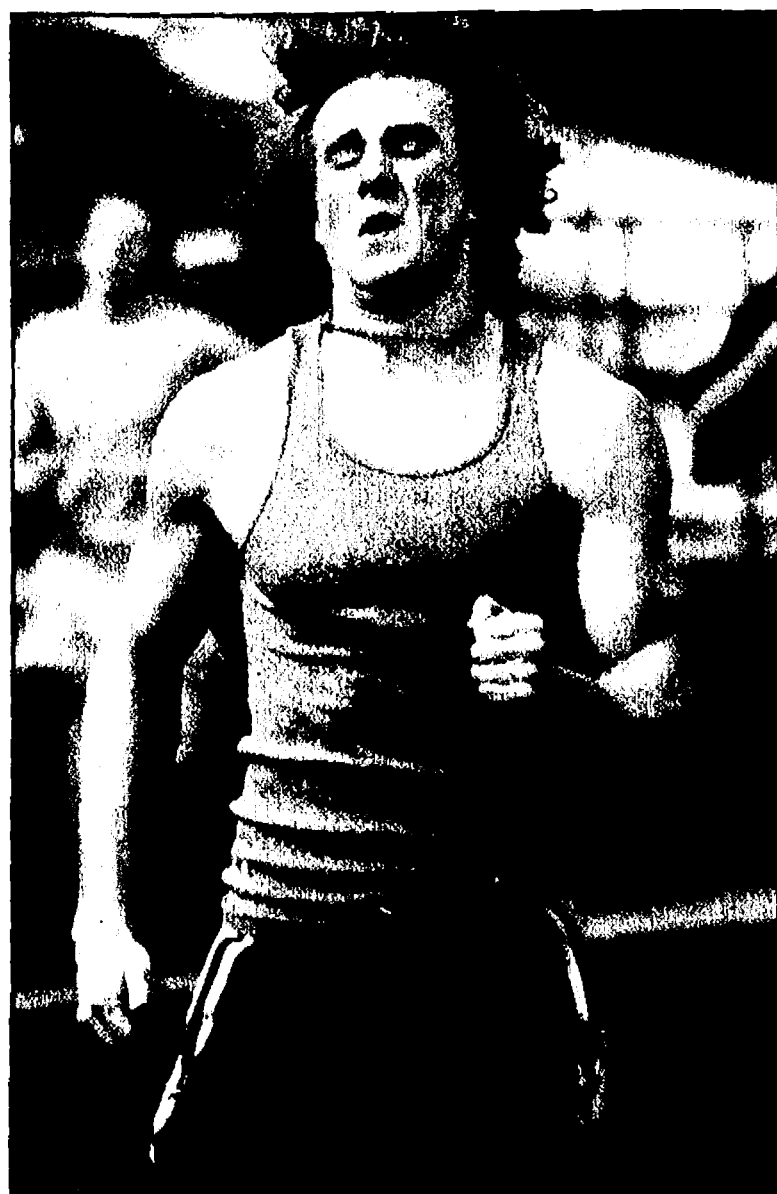
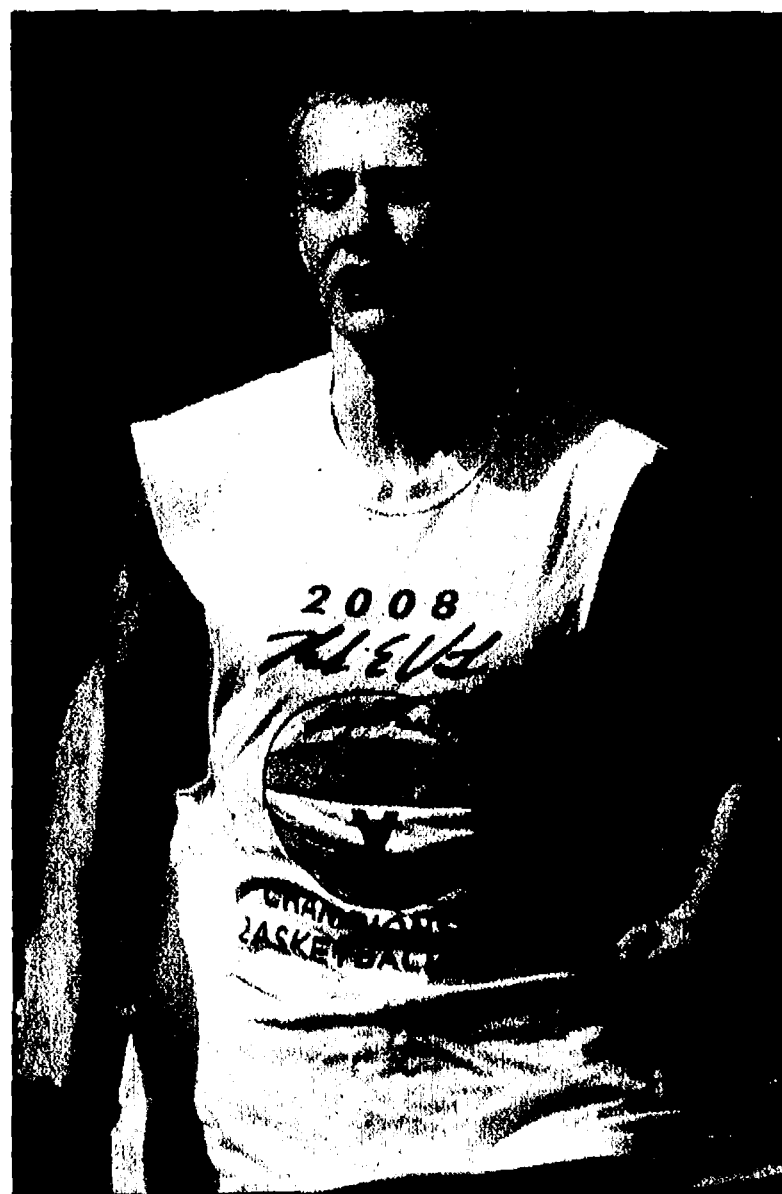
Both squads have 18 athletes this year. "We don't have many seniors," Coach Collins said. "We have a young group, but a hard-working group."

Coach Collins said his distance runners have been working outside since the first day of official practices (March 9). The sprinters were able to get some running done outside during the first and second weeks of practice. Gariglio's group was able to get outside during the second and third weeks of practice. Before that, they spent some time indoors to work on conditioning.




Heaven Bergmann, left, winds up for a discus throw during a recent practice at Grayling High School. Nick McDonald, right, a distance runner, completes a lap on March 27.

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Devon Dawson, left, Cody Myers, center, and Zavler Lindsey, right, run for Grayling High School's varsity boys track team during a recent practice session.



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Dustin List, left, and Eric Rutter, right, sprint during practice on Friday, March 27.

Track teams look to rebuild with young athletes

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"Just trying to get the legs and lungs in shape," Coach Gariglio said.

The girls team has solid depth in the throwing events with six possible participants: Laura Boylan, Becky Hohl, Heaven Bergmann, Molli Coe, Erica Smith, and Jessie Moran. The squad's sprinters include McMahon, Richelle Grosskopf, Brianna Dutton, Chloe Harwood, Mackenzie Harwood, Samantha Hansen, and Elisabet Warslo. Sierra Williamson, Selina Anglemeyer, Haley Wiseman, Josie Swander, and Kristi Helsel will run distance events for the Vikings.

"A team goal for them is team unity," Coach Gariglio said. "Overall, just to have the kids improve over the season."

Coach Collins expects his team's strength to be running events. The squad does not have a lot of athletes for field events, with the exception of the long jump.

"Our running events will be the strongest. We're real balanced between distance and sprints. Last year, we had a lot more for field events. We will have some long jumpers. We're working with the other (field events). We've got some kids that want to try it," Coach Collins said.

The boys team's roster includes: Tyler Cannoy (sprints, distance, long jump), Johnny Cochrane (distance), Brady Coe (sprints, long jump), Devon Dawson (distance), Nick Dorn (sprints), Jacob Ervin (distance, long jump, hurdles), Will Fowler (distance), Colin Hamlin (distance), Earl Holbrook (throws, sprints), James Jimenez (distance), Drake Kaul (distance, long jump), Xavier Lindsey (sprints, hurdles), Ashton Linkhart (distance, long jump), Dustin List (distance, throws), Nick McDonald (distance), Cody Myers (sprints), Eric Rutter (sprints, long jump), Tyler Theaker (sprints, long jump).

Coach Collins said his squad is a "good group" that's "been working extremely hard. They're excited about the year."

The track program's first scheduled meet of the 2009 season is slated for Monday, April 13, at East Jordan at 5 p.m. The Vikings will host a league meet on Monday, April 20, at 4 p.m.

The two track teams are currently conducting a raffle to raise money. The raffle will feature four winners, each one receiving a full



Selina Anglemeyer runs during a recent track practice at Grayling High School.



Molli Coe throws a discus during track practice on March 27.

side of prime rib (delivered by the program). Tickets - available at the Grayling High School office - are \$5 apiece. Winners will be drawn on Friday, April 17.

Bowling Leagues

Friday Mixed Doubles

Fred's of Rosco... 74 - 31
Last Call... 64 - 41
Legion... 58.5 - 46.5
McDonald's... 56 - 49
L & L Hauling... 55.5 - 49.5
Double Trouble... 41 - 64
Canadian Steak... 40 - 65
Miller Spillers... 31 - 74
High Series Women: P Younglove, 549; S. Johnson, 489; L. Hanson, 482. High Game Women: P Younglove, 219; L. Hanson and M. Jankowski, 177.
High Series Men: D. Wallace, 605; S. Pittman, 578; D. Williamson, 567.
High Game Men: R. Moshier, 264; S. Pittman, 249; G. Mastroeni, 234.

Thursday Morning Coffee
Three Amigos... 32.5 - 15.5
Bill's Harem... 32.5 - 15.5
Misfits... 28 - 20
Rosebuds... 23 - 25
Ladybugs... 22 - 26
Pin Slayers... 18.5 - 29.5
Casino Bums... 18 - 30
Snow Tops... 17.5 - 30.5

High Series Women: H. Stairs, 499; N. Glasslee, 457; P. Kennedy, 454. High Game Women: H. Stairs, 187; P. Kennedy, 171; N. Glasslee, 169. High Series Men: P. Faustman, 588; B. Holton, 470; D. Germain, 452. High Game Men: P. Faustman, 206; B. Holton, 170; E. Brosky, 160.

Senior League
Dana Transport... 34 - 22
Gaylord Electric... 32 - 24
Spikes... 31 - 25
Flowers By Josie... 31 - 25
Bear's Den Pizza... 26 - 30
Kicking Grass... 26 - 30
Sylvester's Sports... 23 - 33
Lone Pine... 21 - 35
High Series Women: C. Clark, 525; M. Rysso, 477; H. Stairs, 459. High Game Women: C. Clark, 202; I. Cosgrave, 193; N. Glasslee, 177. High Series Men: L. Crampton, 572; P. Faustman, 545; R. Rysso, 516. High Game Men: L. Crampton, 215; P. Faustman

and O. Brantley, 196.
Recreation League
Legion... 28.5 - 23.5
GMH-NCC... 28 - 24
Robin Smith CPA... 28 - 24
Glen's Market... 28 - 24
Woody Girls... 27 - 25
Days Inn... 26 - 26
TNT Charter... 24 - 28
Nursing Center... 18.5 - 33.5
High Series: S. Rozenik, 523; P. D'Amour, 500; D. Junttila, 481. High Game: D. Junttila and M. Ginther, 184; T. Harney, 183.

Pioneer League
Grayling Rest... 39 - 17
Eagles Nest... 37 - 19
Ole Dam... 31.5 - 24.5
Legion... 29.5 - 26.5
T.C. Lawncare... 28 - 28
5 B's... 28 - 28
Ball Busters... 18 - 38
Tim's Collision... 13 - 43
High Series: C. LaMotte, 589; T. Hellebuyck, 523; L. Golnick, 522. High Game: C. LaMotte, 238; T. Hellebuyck, 219; G. Reichelderfer, 204.

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Outfielders Makenna Harwood, left, and Teresa Schreiber, right, throw the ball into the infield during a varsity softball practice session on March 26.

First spring sports games, meets scheduled for next week

Several season openers set for Tuesday, April 14

Weather permitting, the spring sports seasons for several teams at Grayling High School will begin next week.

Five squads — girls soccer, varsity baseball, JV baseball, varsity softball, and JV softball — had games scheduled for prior to spring break, but all of those contests were canceled due to weather issues. Spring break started on April 3, students will return to school on Monday, April 13, and the spring sports seasons will start right away next week — as long as the weather cooperates.

Grayling High School's varsity boys and girls track teams are slated to compete in the East Jordan Jamboree meet on Monday, April 13, at 5 p.m.

Both track squads have 18 athletes this year and both teams have a lot of underclassmen.

"Other than (our team captains), we have a big group of freshmen and people new to the team," said Tim Gariglio, coach of the girls track team. "We're on a rebuilding year."

"We don't have many seniors," said Matt Collins, coach of the boys track squad. "We have a young group, but a hard-working group. Our running events will be the strongest. We're real balanced between distance and sprints."

The Vikings will host a league meet — the first meet to be held on the school's new track surface, which was constructed last summer — on Monday, April 20, at 4 p.m.

Several teams have games scheduled for Tuesday, April 14.

The GHS varsity baseball squad has doubleheaders slated for Tuesday and Friday of next week and a tournament set for Saturday. Tuesday's series will be played at Boyne City at 4:30 p.m. Grayling will host a



Kristen Todoroff, left, Jessica Bindschatel, center, and Jamie Denton, right, run during a recent varsity girls soccer practice.

doubleheader on Friday vs. East Jordan at 4:30 p.m.

Last year's baseball squad won a district title and took second in the Lake Michigan Conference.

"As a coaching staff, we're optimistic going into the season with the talent we have. We must work hard and stay injury free, and improve on our hitting to achieve a high level of success in 2009," said John Schneider, coach of the varsity baseball squad.

The JV baseball team also has two doubleheaders scheduled for next week. The JV Vikings will host Boyne City on opening day — Tuesday, April 14 — at 4:30 p.m. The squad will play at East Jordan on Friday, April 17.

Grayling High School's varsity softball team has three doubleheaders scheduled for next week — a series at Boyne City on Tuesday, a series vs. Harrison at home on Thursday, and a series vs. East Jordan at GHS on Friday night. All three doubleheaders have a 4:30 p.m. start time.

The squad has three freshmen, three sophomores, four juniors, and four seniors this year.

"This is the most pitching I've ever had on one team.

We'll have leadership from a pitching and catching standpoint," said Keri Brock, coach of the varsity softball squad. "All of our girls have great attitudes. They're fun to be around."

The JV softball team will host Boyne City on Tuesday, April 14, at 4:30 p.m. The Vikings will play on the road at East Jordan on Friday, April 17, at 4:30 p.m.

The girls soccer team at GHS will open its 2009 season with a home game vs. Charlevoix on Tuesday, April 14, at 5 p.m. The Vikings will play at East Jordan on Friday, April 17, at 5 p.m.

The soccer team has strong overall player num-

bers this year with 22 members.

"Twenty-two — that's a lot. We have a lot of sophomores, five seniors," said Craig Cobb, coach of the soccer squad. "They've got great attitudes. They're working hard. I'm really optimistic about this season. I think we're going to see some real improvement."

The varsity boys golf team's first meet is two weeks away. The Vikings will compete in a league meet hosted by Traverse City St. Francis on April 20.

For a complete list of schedules for all of Grayling High School's spring sports teams, check out our "2009 Spring Sports Calendar" on Pages 4-5B.

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Tyler Hanson fields a ground ball during a recent varsity baseball practice.

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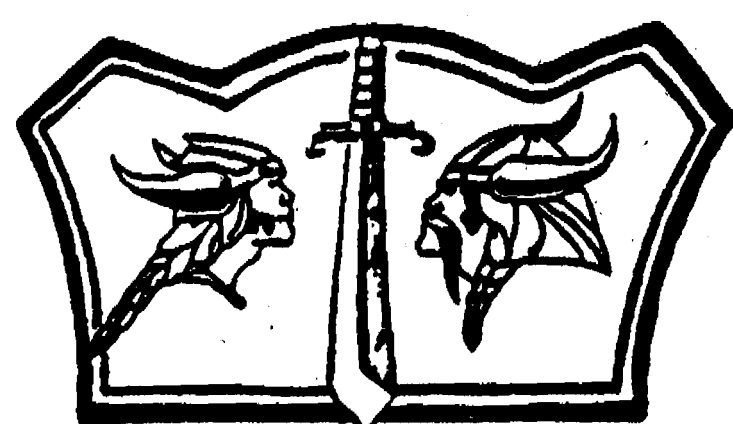
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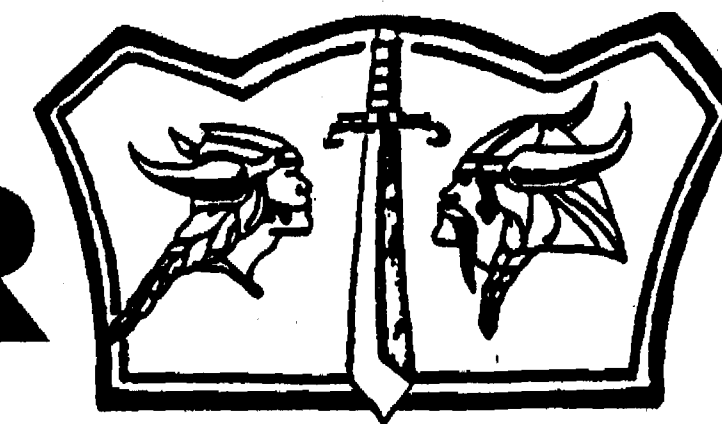
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2009 SPRING SPORTS CALENDAR

Grayling Vikings Sports Schedules



Varsity Baseball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	April 1, 2009	Houghton Lake	A	3:30	2:00
Tuesday	April 14, 2009	Boyer City	A	4:30	2:45
Friday	April 17, 2009	East Jordan	H	4:30	
Saturday	April 18, 2009	Kingsley Invitational	A	10:00	TBA
Monday	April 20, 2009	Ogemaw Heights	A	4:00	2:15
Tuesday	April 21, 2009	Harbor Springs	A	4:30	2:00
Thursday	April 23, 2009	Gaylord	H	4:30	
Saturday	April 25, 2009	Standish Invitational	A	9:30	TBA
Tuesday	April 28, 2009	Traverse City St. Francis	H	4:30	
Thursday	April 30, 2009	Kalkaska	H	4:30	
Tuesday	May 5, 2009	Charlevoix	H	4:30	
Thursday	May 7, 2009	Lincoln Alcona	H	4:30	
Saturday	May 9, 2009	Grayling Invitational	H	10:00	
Tuesday	May 12, 2009	Elk Rapids	A	4:30	2:45
Saturday	May 16, 2009	Cadillac Invitational	A	9:00	TBA
Monday	May 18, 2009	Roscommon	H	4:30	
Tuesday	May 19, 2009	League Make-Up	TBA	4:30	TBA
Saturday	May 23, 2009	Alpena Tournament	A	TBA	TBA
Wednesday	May 27, 2009	Cadillac	A	4:00	2:15

Junior Varsity Baseball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	April 1, 2009	Houghton Lake	H	4:30	
Tuesday	April 14, 2009	Boyer City	H	4:30	
Friday	April 17, 2009	East Jordan	A	4:30	2:30
Monday	April 20, 2009	Ogemaw Heights	H	4:30	
Tuesday	April 21, 2009	Harbor Springs	H	4:30	
Thursday	April 23, 2009	Gaylord	A	4:30	3:00
Tuesday	April 28, 2009	Traverse City St. Francis	A	4:30	2:30
Thursday	April 30, 2009	Kalkaska	A	4:30	3:00
Tuesday	May 5, 2009	Charlevoix	A	4:30	2:15
Thursday	May 7, 2009	Lincoln Alcona	A	4:30	2:30
Tuesday	May 12, 2009	Elk Rapids	H	4:30	
Monday	May 18, 2009	Roscommon	A	4:00	3:00
Tuesday	May 19, 2009	League Make-Up	TBA	4:30	TBA

Middle School Track

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Thursday	April 16, 2009	East Jordan Jamboree	A	4:00	2:00
Friday	April 24, 2009	Grayling Invitational	H	4:00	
Tuesday	May 5, 2009	Houghton Lake Resorter	A	TBA	TBA
Friday	May 8, 2009	Roscommon	H	4:00	
Monday	May 11, 2009	East Jordan Relays	A	3:00	1:00
Thursday	May 14, 2009	League Championship @ Boyne City	A	3:00	1:15

Varsity Track

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Monday	April 13, 2009	East Jordan Jamboree	A	5:00	3:15
Friday	April 17, 2009	SVSU Invitational	A	9:00	TBA
Monday	April 20, 2009	League Meet @ Grayling	H	4:00	
Wednesday	April 22, 2009	Harbor Springs	A	4:00	1:30
Monday	May 4, 2009	League Meet @ East Jordan	A	4:00	2:15
Thursday	May 7, 2009	East Jordan Invitational	A	3:00	1:15
Saturday	May 16, 2009	Regionals	A	TBA	TBA
Saturday	May 20, 2009	LMC Championship @ Boyne City	A	TBA	TBA
Tuesday	May 26, 2009	Herald Times Meet of Champions	A	5:30	No Bus

Boys Golf

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Monday	April 20, 2009	League Meet @TCSF	A	4:30	No Bus
Wednesday	April 22, 2009	League Meet @Boyer City	A	4:30	No Bus
Monday	April 27, 2009	League Meet @Harbor Springs	A	4:30	No Bus
Wednesday	April 29, 2009	League Meet @East Jordan	A	4:30	No Bus
Thursday	April 30, 2009	Grayling Invitational	H	9:00	
Saturday	May 2, 2009	Harbor Springs Invitational	A	10:00	No Bus
Monday	May 4, 2009	Cheboygan Invitational	A	9:00	No Bus
Wednesday	May 6, 2009	Charlevoix (Belvedere) Invitational	A	10:00	No Bus
Monday	May 11, 2009	League Meet @Kalkaska	A	4:30	No Bus
Friday	May 15, 2009	LMC Championship @Antrim Dells	A	10:00	No Bus

Varsity Girls Soccer

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Monday	March 30, 2009	Houghton Lake	A	5:00	3:45
Tuesday	April 14, 2009	Charlevoix	H	5:00	
Friday	April 17, 2009	East Jordan	A	5:00	3:15
Monday	April 20, 2009	Elk Rapids	A	5:00	3:15
Wednesday	April 22, 2009	Kalkaska	A	5:00	3:45
Thursday	April 23, 2009	Harbor Springs	A	5:00	2:30
Monday	April 27, 2009	TC Christian	H	5:00	
Wednesday	April 29, 2009	Boyer City	H	5:00	
Thursday	April 30, 2009	Kalkaska	H	5:00	
Monday	May 4, 2009	Boyer City	A	5:00	3:15
Tuesday	May 5, 2009	Houghton Lake	H	5:00	
Thursday	May 7, 2009	Charlevoix	A	5:00	2:45
Wednesday	May 8, 2009	Gaylord	A	5:00	3:45
Monday	May 11, 2009	East Jordan	H	5:00	
Tuesday	May 12, 2009	Roscommon	H	5:00	
Thursday	May 14, 2009	Elk Rapids	H	5:00	
Monday	May 18, 2009	Harbor Springs	H	5:00	
Thursday	May 21, 2009	TC Christian	A	5:00	3:15

Varsity Softball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	April 1, 2009	Houghton Lake	A	3:30	2:00
Tuesday	April 14, 2009	Boyer City	A	4:30	2:45
Thursday	April 16, 2009	Harrison	H	4:30	
Friday	April 17, 2009	East Jordan	H	4:30	
Monday	April 20, 2009	Ogemaw Heights	A	4:00	2:15
Tuesday	April 21, 2009	Harbor Springs	A	4:30	2:00
Thursday	April 23, 2009	Gaylord	H	4:30	
Saturday	April 25, 2009	Standish Invitational	A	9:30	TBA
Tuesday	April 28, 2009	Traverse City St. Francis	H	4:30	
Thursday	April 30, 2009	Kalkaska	H	4:30	
Saturday	May 2, 2009	St. Louis Invitational	A	9:00	TBA
Tuesday	May 5, 2009	Charlevoix	H	4:30	
Thursday	May 7, 2009	Lincoln Alcona	H	4:30	
Saturday	May 9, 2009	Grayling Invitational	H	10:00	
Tuesday	May 12, 2009	Elk Rapids	A	4:30	2:45
Wednesday	May 13, 2009	Tawas	A	4:00	1:45
Monday	May 18, 2009	Roscommon	H	4:30	
Tuesday	May 19, 2009	League Make-Up	TBA	4:30	TBA

Junior Varsity Softball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	April 1, 2009	Houghton Lake	H	4:30	
Tuesday	April 14, 2009	Boyer City	H	4:30	
Friday	April 17, 2009	East Jordan	A	4:30	2:30
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Tuesday	May 12, 2009	Elk Rapids	H	4:30	
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STATE OF MICHIGAN 46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL FOR THE COUNTY CRAWFORD

ROSE ACCEPTANCE, INC.,
Case No. 09-5866-SP-1

Plaintiff,
Hon.
v.
JOHN BENOIT, III, CRISTINA
BOUGHNER, AND OCCUPANT,
Defendants.
SOTIROFF & ABRAMCZYK,
P.C.
By: Keith A. Sotiroff (P42904)
Attorneys for Plaintiff
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ORDER UNDER MCR 2.105(1)
PERMITTING SERVICE OF
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UNDER MCR 2.106 UPON JOHN
BENOIT, III, CRISTINA BOUGHNER
AND OCCUPANT AND ORDERING SAID DEFENDANTS TO ANSWER

Plaintiff having filed its
Summons and Complaint after land
contract forfeiture and having filed
herewith its Motion under MCR
2.105(1) for an Order Permitting
Service of Process by Publication
under MCR 2.106 and for an Order
to Answer, and the Court otherwise
being fully advised in the premises;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED,
that Defendants John Benoit, III,
Cristina Boughner and Occupant,
shall answer or take such other
action as may be permitted by law
at the offices of the Clerk of this
Court at the 46th Circuit Trial
Court, 200 W. Michigan Ave.,
Grayling, MI 49738, on or before

Wednesday, April 29, 2009, at 8:30
a.m. Failure to comply with this
Order shall result in a Judgment by
Default against said Defendants,
which shall provide for recovery of
possession by the Plaintiff of the
following described real estate situated
in the Township of Grayling,
County of Crawford and State of
Michigan, to-wit:

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Records. C/k/a 208 Crestwood,
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED,
that service of process of this Order
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said Defendants by publication of a
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said Defendants John Benoit, III
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Grayling, MI 49738, and to
Defendant Cristina Boughner at
202 Sunflower Dr., Gaylord, MI
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mail, return receipt requested,
before the date of the last publica-
tion.

Hon. Monte J. Burmeister
District Court Judge

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT - FAMILY DIVISION FILE NO. 09-7537-NC

In the matter of MICHEAL
JOSEPH TERRIEN & ASHDON
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P48732 for the following pur-
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Duane Micheal Terrien to the
proposed names of Micheal
Joseph Frisbie & Ashdon
Duane Micheal Frisbie.
3/30/2009

Attorney
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MI, mortgagee. The Mortgage is
dated January 18, 2007, and was
recorded on January 30, 2007, in
Liber 685 on page 94 of the
Crawford County records. The bal-
ance owing on the Mortgage as of
the date of this Notice is
\$80,391.37, including interest at
8.25% per year. The Mortgage con-
tains a power of sale clause and no
proceedings have been instituted to
recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed
by selling the property described
below at a public auction to the

highest bidder. The sale will be
held on Wednesday, April 29, 2009,
at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main
entrance to the Crawford County
Court Facility, 200 W. Michigan
Ave., Grayling, Michigan, that
being the place of holding Circuit
Court for Crawford County,
Michigan. The property will be
sold to pay the amount then due on
the Mortgage, including interest,
legal costs, attorney fees and any
taxes or insurance which may be
paid by the mortgagee before the
sale.

The property to be sold is locat-
ed in the Township of South
Branch, County of Crawford,
Michigan and is described as:

Lots 5 and 6, RIVER OAKS SUB-
DIVISION, according to the
recorded plat thereof, as recorded in
Liber 3 of Plats, Page 27, Crawford
County Records.

AND
A 1/19 interest in a Private
Walkway being more particularly
described as: a part of the NE 1/4 of
the SW 1/4 of Section 29, T25N,
R2W, comm. at the SW corner of
same and running thence N 02°02'
W, 791.7 ft; thence S 72°12' E, 170
ft to the point of beginning; thence
N 09°12' E, 341.7 ft to a point on
the bank of the South Branch of the
AuSable River, thence S 80°00' E
along said bank, 20 ft; thence S
09°12' W, 344.5 ft; thence N 72°12'
W, 20.23 ft. to the point of begin-
ning, said description also includes
all the land in the water's edge.

The real property described in this
instrument includes a 1978 manu-
factured home and any manufac-
tured housing described in a subse-
quently recorded Affidavit of
Affixture.

The redemption period will
expire six (6) months after the date
of the foreclosure sale, unless the
property is determined abandoned
under MCL 600.3241a, in which
case the redemption period will
expire 30 days after the date of the
foreclosure sale, or when the time
to provide notice under MCL
600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is
later.

SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS &
KNIER, P.C.

Dated: March 17, 2009

By:
Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393)
Attorney for Independent
Mortgage Co.
f/k/a Independent Mortgage Co.
Central MI, Mortgagee
900 Washington Ave.,
P.O. Box 219
Bay City, MI 48707
(989) 892-4574
-26-2-9-16

MORTGAGE SALE

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE
ARE ATTEMPTING TO COL-
LECT A DEBT AND ANY
INFORMATION OBTAINED
WILL BE USED FOR THAT PUR-
POSE. NOTIFY US AT THE
NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE
IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default hav-
ing been made in the terms and
conditions of a certain mortgage
made by William S. Ziemczyk, an
unmarried man, Mortgagors, to
Long Beach Mortgage Company,
Mortgagee, dated the 2nd day of
October, 2001 and recorded in the
office of the Register of Deeds, for
The County of Crawford and State
of Michigan, on the 7th day of
December, 2001 in Liber 562 of
Crawford County Records, page
421, said Mortgage having been
assigned to U.S. Bank, N.A., suc-
cessor trustee to Wachovia Bank,

N.A. (formerly known as First
Union National Bank), as Trustee
for Long Beach Mortgage Loan
Trust 2001-4 on which mortgage
there is claimed to be due, at the
date of this notice, the sum of Forty
Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Two
and 64/100 (\$49,902.64), and no
suit or proceeding at law or in equi-
ty having been instituted to recover
the debt secured by said mortgage
or any part thereof. Now, therefore,
by virtue of the power of sale con-
tained in said mortgage, and pur-
suant to statute of the State of
Michigan in such case made and
provided, notice is hereby given
that on the 6th day of May, 2009 at
10:00 o'clock AM Local Time, said
mortgage will be foreclosed by a
sale at public auction, to the highest
bidder, at the front door to the
County Bldg. in Grayling MI (that
being the building where the
Circuit Court for the County of
Crawford is held), of the premises
described in said mortgage, or so
much thereof as may be necessary
to pay the amount due, as aforesaid
on said mortgage, with interest
thereon at 11.900% per annum and
all legal costs, charges, and expens-
es, including the attorney fees
allowed by law, and also any sum or
sums which may be paid by the
undersigned, necessary to protect
its interest in the premises. Which
said premises are described as fol-
lows: All that certain piece or parcel
of land, including any and all struc-
tures, and homes, manufactured or
otherwise, located thereon, situated
in the Township of Beaver Creek,
County of Crawford, State of
Michigan, and described as fol-
lows, to-wit:

Lot 51 and the N 1 / 2 of Lot 52,
Holiday Heights Subdivision, as
recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page
75, Crawford County Records.

During the six (6) months immedi-
ately following the sale, the prop-
erty may be redeemed, except that in
the event that the property is deter-
mined to be abandoned pursuant to
MCL 600.3241a, the property
may be redeemed during 30 days
immediately following the sale.

Dated: 4/2/2009
U.S. Bank, N.A., successor trustee
to Wachovia Bank, N.A. (formerly
known as First Union National
Bank), as Trustee for Long Beach
Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-4

Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
Attorney for U.S. Bank, N.A., suc-
cessor trustee to Wachovia Bank,
N.A. (formerly known as First
Union National Bank), as Trustee
for Long Beach Mortgage Loan
Trust 2001-4

888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 800
Troy, MI 48064
248-362-2600

-2-9-16-23

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

FORECLOSURE NOTICE RAN-
DALL S. MILLER & ASSOCI-
ATES, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLEC-
TOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-
LECT A DEBT AND ANY
INFORMATION OBTAINED
WILL BE USED FOR THAT PUR-
POSE. Mortgage Sale - Default has
been made in the conditions of a
certain mortgage made by
Lawrence J. Julian and Janet Julian
a/k/a Janet K. Julian, husband and
wife to The Cit Group/Consumer
Finance, Inc., Mortgagee, dated
October 23, 2001, and recorded on
November 5, 2001, in Liber 558,
Page 397, Crawford County
Records, said mortgage was
assigned to The Bank of New York
Mellon f/k/a The Bank of New

York, as Trustee for Amortizing
Residential Collateral Trust, 2002-
BCI by an Assignment of
Mortgage dated August 28, 2007
and recorded on September 11,
2007 in Liber 688 on Page 476, on
which mortgage there is claimed to
be due at the date hereof the sum of
ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN
THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
SIXTY NINE AND 42/100 DOL-
LARS (\$118,969.42) including
interest at the rate of 10.080% per
annum. Under the power of sale
contained in said mortgage and the
statute in such case made and pro-
vided, notice is hereby given that
said mortgage will be foreclosed by
a sale of the mortgaged premises, or
some part of them, at public venue,
at the place of holding the Circuit
Court in said Crawford County,
where the premises to be sold or
some part of them are situated, at
10:00 AM on May 13, 2009. Said
premises are situated in the
Township of Frederic, Crawford
County, Michigan, and are
described as: The North 100 feet of
the South 800 feet of the Southeast
1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 17,
Town 27 North, Range 4 West,
Township of Frederic, County of
Crawford, State of Michigan. 3563
N Manistee River Road The
redemption period shall be 12
months from the date of such sale,
unless determined abandoned in
accordance with MCL 600.3241a,
in which case the redemption peri-
od shall be 30 days from the date of
such sale, or 15 days after statutory
notice, whichever is later. Dated:
April 9, 2009 Randall S. Miller &
Associates, P.C. Attorneys for
Assignee 43252 Woodward Ave.,
Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI
48302 (248) 335-9200 Our File No.
256.00131ASAP# 3052199
04/09/2009, 04/16/2009,
04/23/2009, 04/30/2009

-9-16-23-30

FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-
TOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-
LECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATI-
ON WE OBTAIN WILL BE
USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
PLEASE CONTACT OUR
OFFICE AT THE NUMBER
BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE
MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE
SALE - Default has been made in
the conditions of a mortgage made
by Ronald W. Rugenstein, single,
surviving joint tenant, to Mortgage
Electronic Registration Systems,
Inc., as nominee for lender and
lender's successors and/or assigns,
Mortgagee, dated October 14, 2005
and recorded November 18, 2005 in
Liber 678, Page 554, Crawford
County Records, Michigan. Said
mortgage is now held by Najonston
Mortgage LLC by assignment.
There is claimed to be due at the
date hereof the sum of Seventy-
Eight Thousand Four Hundred
Fifty-Four and 55/100 Dollars
(\$78,454.55) including interest at
6.75% per annum. Under the power
of sale contained in said mortgage
and the statute in such case made
and provided, notice is hereby
given that said mortgage will be
foreclosed by a sale of the mort-
gaged premises, or some part of
them, at public venue at the front
door of the County Building in
Grayling in Crawford County,
Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL
29, 2009. Said premises are located
in the Township of Grayling,
Crawford County, Michigan, and
are described as: Parcel Number 2
part of the South 1/2 of the
Northwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town
26 North, Range 2 West,
Commencing at the West 1/4 corner
of said Section 34, thence North 0
degrees 44 minutes 22 seconds East
(along the section line L), 570 feet
to the point of beginning, thence
continuing North 0 degrees 44 min-
utes 22 seconds East, 285 feet,
thence South 88 degrees 37 minutes
East, 548.80 feet, thence South 0
degrees 55 minutes 21 seconds
West 198.44 feet, thence South 88
degrees 37 minutes East, 54.0 feet,
thence South 0 degrees 55 minutes
21 seconds West, 86.56 feet, thence

North 88 degrees 37 minutes West,
602.50 feet to the point of begin-
ning. The redemption period shall
be 6 months from the date of such
sale, unless determined abandoned
in accordance with MCLA
600.3241a, in which case the
redemption period shall be 30 days
from the date of such sale. TO ALL
PURCHASERS: The foreclosing
mortgagee can rescind the sale. In
that event, your damages, if any, are
limited solely to the return of the
bid amount tendered at sale, plus
interest. Dated: March 26, 2009
Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys
for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy,
MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File
No. 426.0283 ASAP# 3032311
03/26/2009, 04/02/2009,
04/09/2009, 04/16/2009

-26-2-9-16

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-
TOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-
LECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATI-
ON WE OBTAIN WILL BE
USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
PLEASE CONTACT OUR
OFFICE AT THE NUMBER
BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE
MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale
may be rescinded by the foreclosing
mortgagee. In that event, your
damages, if any, shall be limited
solely to the return of the bid
amount tendered at sale, plus inter-
est.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has
been made in the conditions of a
mortgage made by Warren D
Bickmann Sr. an unmarried man,
original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage
Electronic Registration Systems,
Inc., as nominee for lender and
lender's successors and/or assigns,
Mortgagee, dated February 16,
2007, and recorded on February 21,
2007 in Liber 685 on Page 342, in
Crawford county records,
Michigan, and assigned by said
Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance
LLC as assignee, on which mort-
gage there is claimed to be due at
the date hereof the sum of One
Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand
One Hundred Fifty-Seven And
58/100 Dollars (\$133,157.58),
including interest at 6.875% per
annum.

Under the power of sale contained
in said mortgage and the statute in
such case made and provided,
notice is hereby given that said
mortgage will be foreclosed by a
sale of the mortgaged premises, or
some part of them, at public ven-
due, at the place of holding the cir-
cuit court within Crawford County,
at 10:00 AM, on May 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City
of Grayling, Crawford County,
Michigan, and are described as:
Lots 2 and 3 and 6 feet of vacated
alley of Block 3, of Martha H
Brinks 2nd Addition to the Village
(now city) of Grayling, Crawford
County, Michigan, according to the
plat thereof recorded in Liber 01 of
Plats, page 29, Crawford County
Records.

The redemption period shall be 6
months from the date of such sale,
unless determined abandoned in
accordance with MCLA 600.3241a,
in which case the redemption peri-
od shall be 30 days from the date of
such sale.

Dated: April 2, 2009
For more information, please call:
FC S 248.593.1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-
2525
File #255190F01

-2-9-16-23

BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 300 FEET

The Beaver Creek Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing during a special meeting on Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the Township Hall. The Planning Commission will hear public comment on the following request:

Case # 2009-001 Request for Special Use Permit

Petitioner: Delores Guay,
Leaning Oaks Cat Haven
Address: 8217 S. Old 27
Grayling, MI 49738
Property ID# 20-050-018-001-035-05
Request: The petitioner is requesting a
Special Use Permit for a home
business/feline rescue/trapping
and adoption/shot clinic for the
public monthly.

The Public is encouraged to attend this hearing.

All documents are available for review at the Beaver
Creek Township Offices, 8888 S. Grayling Road,
Grayling, during normal working hours.

Correspondence and written comments concerning the
request should be directed to the Beaver Creek
Township Planning Commission at the above address.

Sharon K. Hartman
Secretary to the Planning Commission

CITY OF GRAYLING CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN

THE CITY OF GRAYLING ORDAINS:

ORDINANCE NO: 2009-01

Amendments to the City Planning Commission enabling
ordinance to make it compliant with state law as
required by Public Act 33 of 2008 being the Michigan
Planning Enabling Act, MCL 125.380 et seq.

Highlighted changes are expansion of membership from
seven to nine inclusive of two ex officio members and
specific procedures to follow in carrying out their duties.

The amending ordinance was adopted by City Council
on March 30, 2009. These amendments go into effect
ten days after publication of this notice. A certified copy
of the ordinance is available in the City Clerk's office at
1020 City Boulevard, Grayling.

Michele A. Moshier
City Clerk

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ORV PROPOSED ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING

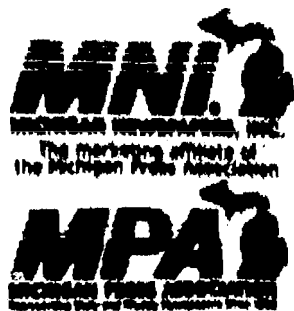
Crawford County Board of Commissioners has sched-
uled a Public Hearing on Wednesday, April 15, 2009 at
10:00 a.m. on the ORV Proposed Ordinance. You can
obtain copies of the proposed ordinance at the County
Clerks office Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30
p.m. The hearing will be held in the Riverside Meeting
Room of the County Building.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds
March 20, 2009

PUBLIC NOTICE

Avalanche "Legal Action" pages for Crawford County are now available
on-line at crawfordcountyavalanche.com

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Features

www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com

A Look At Our Past FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
April 10, 1986

The Grayling Youth Booster Club will mark its 15th birthday this May and the rest of the community should give the club a birthday cake with a quarter of a million candles on it. That's how much money the club has donated to youth activities here. Since May 1971, the youth boosters have donated about \$255,000 for programs and equipment to help youngsters. For the last two years, 1984 and 1985, the booster club has given an average of \$35,700 a year to the community.

An environmental assessment study for the Georgia-Pacific Beaver Creek resin plant said construction and operation of the plant should not result in any significant deterioration to the natural or social environment of the area. Georgia-Pacific voluntarily hired Swanson Environmental Inc., of Farmington Hills, to conduct the assessment. Georgia-Pacific was not required by law to have the study done.

An 18-year-old woman was injured when a car struck her as she was walking along M-72 East near Staley Lake Road. The car did not stop after the accident and police are looking for a mid to full size dark older model car with a loud

muffler. The woman was treated for many bumps and bruises at Mercy Hospital and was released.

Tentative plans by the Michigan Department of Corrections call for expanding and upgrading Camp Lehman to hold 400 medium security prisoners. To increase the capacity at Camp Lehman, the tentative plan would add three new 80 bed barracks with individual rooms. To change to a medium security camp, Lehman would be surrounded by a barbed-wire fence and an electric detection system would be added that would tell the guards if someone approaches the fence. Additional guards would also be hired.

46 Years Ago
April 11, 1963

One of Crawford County's famous attractions, the eagle's nest at Hartwick Pines, was destroyed by wind Wednesday of last week. Pieces of eggshell and parts of the nest were found 150 feet from the base of the tree in which the nest had been built. Park manager Leonard Jensen said there were apparently two eggs that were destroyed and that the parent eagles were flying around the site.

The Grayling High School Glee Club, 48 members and their director Mrs. Roy Milnes, brought home the highest possible rating, a "1" from each of the three adjudicators at the District

Festival held in Rogers City. The Irving McIsaacs moved into their new home on Galen Street the week-end before last.

There were two grass fires last week in Grayling. The first one was on Tuesday afternoon at the Sajdak home on Huron Street. Pete Stephan, while on duty, noticed Mrs. Sajdak attempting to beat out flames that had spread from a trash burner and came to her assistance. The second fire was Wednesday at the railroad trestle crossing the AuSable below Michigan Avenue, which the City Fire Department put out. There was no damage from either fire.

Pete Olson is home from Nub's Nob in Harbor Springs, where he held the position of ski instructor during the winter.

69 Years Ago
April 11, 1940

Saturday, little Tommy Hilton was five-years-old and to make his day memorable, his mother invited 10 of his little friends over to spend the afternoon with him. Games were enjoyed in the afternoon with honors going to Ronny Larson for dart shooting and Skippy Hanson for ten pins. After the children played other games, Tommy's mother, Mrs. George Hilton, served lunch.

August Saidat, of Chicago, has purchased the Raymond Papendick 40 acre farm in Beaver Creek

township. This is an excellent farm and there is hope that Mr. Saidat and his family will enjoy it here. They will be here in time for the spring planting.

The Grayling High School baseball team had planned to work out at the ball park last week, but was unable to do so as a result of the cold weather.

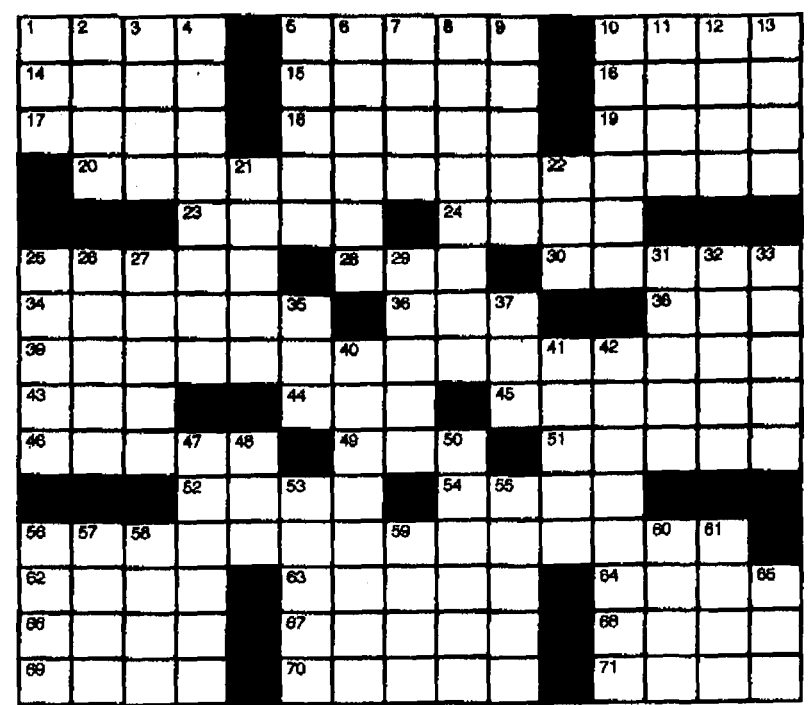
92 Years Ago
April 12, 1917

A very pretty Easter party was given by Miss Pauline Fehr at her home on Saturday. Eighteen young ladies were invited and had a pleasant time. Miss Mildred Madill received the first prize in making the best doll's Easter bonnet, while Misses Clark and Alice Brink won other contests.

Max Landesberg and his family of West Branch are moving here, where he will open a shoe and gents furnishing goods store in the Peterson building opposite the Russell Hotel.

The Methodist people in Grayling have decided to build a new church on the old site. Plans are being made to take up all available building space to embody in the plans rooms for social services activities. The committee responsible for the launching of this is Mrs. T. W. Hanson, Mrs. O. Michelson, Professor A.A. Ellsworth and Pastor Aaron Mitchell. This committee was selected by the M.E. Church board at a meeting held some time ago.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Part of N.Y.C.
5. Latin dance
10. "___ for the poor"
14. Arctic sight
15. Discover
16. Heating device
17. "Bye now"
18. Bothered to do something
19. Almond
20. Responsible for administration
23. A chip, maybe
24. Bickerer in the "flad"
25. Cylindrical spike-like inflorescence
28. "Dear" one
30. Held on tightly
34. Like some cows
36. Big Apple attraction, with "the"
38. Anderson's "High ___"
39. Dissolved by Napoleon
43. Victorian, for one
44. Deck (out)
45. Silky-coated sheepdog
46. Gunpowder ingredient
49. "___ any drop to drink": Coleridge
51. Song of joy
52. Make small marks into the surface of
54. 20-20, e.g.
56. Small, light blue flowers with white centers
62. French novelist Pierre
63. More terrible
64. "Terrible" czar
66. Obtained from urine
67. ___ flu
68. Church part
69. Coordinate
70. Young pig
71. Delight

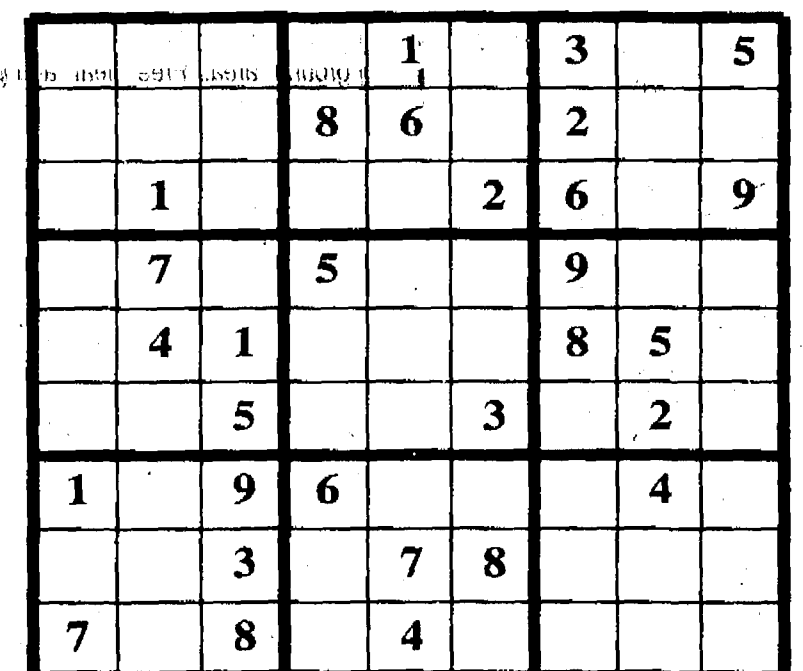
Down

1. Fluorocarbon with chlorine
2. Hip bones
3. Contemplative one

4. British volunteer cavalry force
5. Bias
6. Mountaintop homes
7. Come together
8. Lay members of a male religious order
9. Auto pioneer Citroën
10. Organic compound formed by adding alcohol molecules to aldehyde molecules
11. Centers of activity
12. Type of missile
13. Pivot
21. ___ alia
22. Parenthesis, essentially
25. Bloodless
26. Native New Zealander
27. Ceremonial elegance and splendour
29. Adult insect
31. Handy
32. Used to raise water for transfer to an irrigation channel
33. Inexperienced
35. "I" lid
37. P.I., e.g.
40. Sharks with broad flat bodies and winglike pectoral fins
41. Broods
42. Designing
47. Improve, in a way
48. Mr. Rogers
50. Fix, as leftovers
53. Musical endings
55. "From the Earth to the Moon" writer
56. Dour
57. Traditional knowledge
58. "Miss ___ Regrets"
59. Beethoven's "Archduke ___"
60. Elliptical
61. Surfing need
65. Used to indicate the maiden or family name of a married woman

SUDOKU

RULES: Fill all empty squares so that the numbers 1 to 9 appear once in each row, column and 3x3 box.



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ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS



HOROSCOPES

For the week of April 9, 2009

CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19

Your cup runneth over with gratitude this week, Capricorn. Make sure you return the favor one day. A secret is finally revealed at work, and you benefit big time.

ARIES
March 21–April 19

Ask and you shall receive, Aries. Everyone needs a little help now and then. A concept is scrapped at work. Don't let it get to you. It really is for the best.

CANCER
June 22–July 22

Voila, Cancer. Your to-do list for an event is nearly complete. Just one more thing to get, and you know exactly where to get it. Phone calls result in a flurry of activity over the weekend.

LIBRA
September 23–October 22

Push, push, push, Libra. Give a project at home everything you've got, and you will succeed. A brush with tragedy recharges a friend. Learn from their mistakes.

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

You're definitely on to something, Aquarius. Hop to it, flesh out your idea and present it to your supervisor. A long-lost relative returns bearing gifts.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20

Riveting conversations with friends make you aware of how good you have it and inspire you to give more of yourself. Start with that lonely neighbor, Taurus.

LEO
July 23–August 22

Racy remarks send chills through work. Do what you can to get everyone's minds off the matter. Leo. Humor is required. A financial need is met.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

You're just looking for trouble, Scorpio. Take a step back and leave the situation to someone else to fix. A breakthrough at work leads to a speedy finish.

PISCES
February 19–March 20

Gimme, gimme, gimme, Pisces. That's all you hear at home this week, and it's time to put a stop to the madness. Volunteer work could turn things around.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21

Whew, Gemini! You're down to the wire at work but finish in time. A home improvement project turns out to be more difficult than you thought. Help is at hand if you ask for it.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22

Just be yourself, and your supervisor will come to appreciate you in time, Virgo. Rash decisions at home get you into hot water. Work to resolve the situation quickly.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21

Your financial worries cease this week, Sagittarius, as a new source of income develops. The parade of invitations does not stop. Pick and choose carefully.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

ADOPT A PET

WE'RE OVERLOADED! The animal shelter is currently very full of animals in need of loving homes, just like yours. Help these very adoptable pets find homes, adopt today! Visit our web site for more information.

Orbit

Orbit is a fantastic dog. Not only is he handsome, he is also affectionate and easy going! Orbit came to the shelter as a stray on March 9th. He has remained unclaimed, which is really hard to believe, so now he is looking for a new home with someone who can appreciate what a fantastic dog he is. Orbit has been neutered and is up to date on his vaccinations.

Visit us at: www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter
5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling
Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds
Hours: Open 10 to 3 pm Monday through Saturday,
10 to 12 pm on Sundays and Holidays
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117
For more pets or more information, visit our web site www.ascc.petfinder.com

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast						
Date	H	L	Precip. Inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
3/31	39	29	0							
4/1	44	29	0.06							
4/2	38	26	0.03							
4/3	52	32	0.09							
4/4	35	29	0.47							
4/5	41	28	0							
4/6	43	28	0							

Sunny Partly Cloudy Sunny Partly Cloudy Partly Cloudy Sunny

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

SLOW-COOKER BARBECUE BEEF STEW

Ingredients:

1 Tbsp. oil	1 large onion, cut into chunks
2 lb. boneless beef for stew, cut into 1-1/2-inch cubes	6 small red potatoes, quartered
5 carrots, peeled, cut into 1-inch pieces	3/4 cup barbecue sauce, divided
1 Tbsp. instant coffee	1 pkg. frozen peas

Directions: Heat oil in nonstick skillet on medium-high heat. Add meat, in batches; cook until evenly browned, stirring occasionally. Layer carrots, onions and potatoes in bottom of 5-qt. slow cooker; top with meat. Pour 1/2 cup of the barbecue sauce over meat; sprinkle with coffee granules. Cover with lid. Cook on Low for 7 to 8 hours (or on High for 5 hours). Stir in peas and remaining 1/4 cup barbecue sauce; cover. Cook an additional 15 min. or until heated through.

Prep Time: 15 Min. Total Time: 8 1/2 to 30 Min.
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1. Real Estate

2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. 2482 Sandy Trail, south off M-72, 7.3 miles east of Grayling, price reduced. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

MOBILE HOME FOR SALE with two car garage, 30 x 40 pole barn on five acres, \$59,900. Will split for 2 1/2 acres, land contract term available. Grayling school district. 517-937-4444. (-9/1)

2. For Rent

MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT 2 and 3 bedroom, \$425 and up. Also, trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06tf/2)

BEAUTIFUL FULLY FURNISHED Luxury apartment in downtown Grayling on the AuSable River. 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Open living room design. \$900 a month plus utilities. Includes all lawn maintenance and snowplowing. 989-370-1290. (10/2/08tf/2)

2. For Rent

SENIOR APARTMENTS AVAILABLE at The Brook Retirement Communities. Offering Independent and Assisted Living. Lots of amenities, activities, beautiful surroundings and affordable living. Communities located in: Houghton Lake (989) 422-7200 Roscommon (989) 275-4000, West Branch (989) 343-1400, Gladwin (989) 426-8700. Call or stop by today for a personalized tour. (5/10/2007tf/2)

SMALL 2 BEDROOM HOUSE in Grayling. \$525 a month plus utilities and security deposit. No pets. References necessary. For more information phone 989-619-9689. (-2/9/2)

EFFICIENCY CABIN close to town. \$370 per month, \$370 security, \$50 cleaning fee. Utilities included, no pets. 348-5124. (-9/2)

COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR RENT Lots of parking, stand alone structure and good location. 989-348-8471. (1/15/09tf/2)

2. For Rent

VIKING VILLAGE APARTMENTS are now taking applications for upcoming availability. Very nice two bedroom, two bath apartments approximately one mile west of Grayling off M-72. Units in this quiet community include central air conditioning, attached garage, paved lighted streets and driveways, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer and dryer. Lawn care, snow removal and garbage pickup included in annual lease. Contact Herb Olson, at 989-348-9456, for more information. (03/26/09tf/2)

MOBILE HOME AND CABINS at Lost Acres. 1 room cabin #1, \$275, free utilities. 2 bedroom mobile homes, \$375 plus utilities. 11004-11010 N. Old US 27, no pets. 1-877-227-6976 or Mike at 231-590-3699. (3/19/09tf/2)

HOME FOR RENT 4 to 6 bedroom, 2 bath executive retreat with outbuildings in Lovells. \$1,200 per month plus utilities. Call 989-732-2600. (7/10/08tf/2)

3 BEDROOM 2 bath home for rent in Grayling. \$600 a month plus utilities. Option to buy. 989-732-6582. (-9/16/2)

2. For Rent

THREE BEDROOM HOUSE for rent. Located in town, close to schools, fenced in yard with garage. Available April 15, \$600 per month. First and last month's rent to move in, security deposit can be divided into payments. Please call 231-301-2971 for more information. (-9/2)

2 BEDROOM MOBILE with washer, dryer and appliances. No pets. \$450 plus deposit. 348-2418. (-9/16-23-30/2)

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2. For Rent

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3. Employment

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HELP WANTED for the golf season. Waitstaff, cooks, cart attendants and outside maintenance. Apply at Fox Run, 5825 W. 4 Mile Road, Grayling. 348-4343. (-9/16/3)

4. Services Offered

RTH HOME IMPROVEMENT all your interior and exterior needs. Garages, additions, drywall, painting, roofing, siding, decks, and more. Licensed and insured, free estimates. Rob Harrington 989-344-1383. (-9/16/04tf/4)

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1. Real Estate

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Grayling Pines Apartments is currently accepting applications for beautiful 1 & 2 bedroom apartments. Rent is based on 30% of your income; low to moderate incomes are welcome. Barrier free apartment waiting list is currently open. These apartments offer a patio, walk-in closets, air conditioning, garbage disposal, window treatments, neutral decor, and spacious living areas. Also a very nice playground area. Free heat and free hot water. For Personal showing please call Jerry @ (989) 344-0020. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD 1-800-649-3777

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4. Services Offered

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LIFE PROBLEMS getting you down? Call GRACE Center, 989-348-2544. (3/19/09/tf/4)

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APPLIANCE PARTS All major brands. Most parts in stock. Appliance Parts 6840 M-72 West, Grayling, across from the Ole Barn. 989-348-5971. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon. (-9-16-23-30/4)

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7. Miscellaneous

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5. For Sale

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8. Announcements

5. For Sale

33 BOXES of hardwood flooring and padding, \$800; 13,000 watt generator, \$1,000 and TV antenna tower, \$300. 989-731-4784. (-9-16/5)

APRIL SPECIAL Rough sawn landscape timbers 20 percent off. T. Warren Sawmill, 989-619-0840. (-2-9-16-23/5)

6. Wanted

WOW Don will pay you \$100 to \$200 for your junk vehicle. 231-587-0856 or 888-468-7313. (4/2/09/tf/6)

8. Announcements

Heads Up North is donating salon services on Saturday, April 11. All proceeds go to benefit the family of Lindsey Knowles. Call for an appointment 348-7890. Walk-ins welcome.

THE GRAYLING SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

is pleased to announce that, effective Wednesday, May 6th, we will offer extended shooting hours on both our skeet and trap ranges to visitors and non-club members.

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In addition, starting Tuesday, May 5th, the Sportsman's Club will be offering shooting time and instruction for "women only" beginning at 10:00 a.m. This program will also run for the duration of the summer season. Qualified shooting coaches will be available to help you sharpen your skills.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE PROGRAMS CONTACT NEIL AT 348-8927 OR PAT AT 348-2639.

KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE Propane Proposal

Kirtland Community College is seeking proposal from propane gas contractors to provide propane gas at its main campus in Roscommon, Michigan including three 1,000 gallon tanks, two 330 gallon tanks, two 120 gallon tanks, and one 325 gallon tank.

Bids will be accepted in the Kirtland Community College Facilities Management Office until Thursday, April 23, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. at which time they will be opened and publicly read.

Detailed specifications and bid instructions are available on Kirtland's website at www.kirtland.edu/bo/bids under "Propane Proposals" or by contacting the Facilities Management Office at 989-275-5000 ext. 263.

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT Request for Bids

South Branch Township Fire Department is inviting qualified bidders to submit bid proposals for a 2009 Command Vehicle and 2009 Accessory Package. Specification packages can be obtained by contacting the Fire Chief at 989-275-4779, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The Fire Department is located at 5245 M-18. Sealed Bids will be accepted at the Fire Department until 5:00 p.m. on May 12, 2009. Bids will be opened at the Township Board Meeting scheduled for May 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. All bids must be sealed and labeled "2009 Vehicle" or "2009 Accessory". The successful bidder will be notified after May 13, 2009.

South Branch Township reserves the right to accept a portion of the bid or reject a bid in its entirety. No bids will be accepted after the due date and time.

6. Wanted

BUYING SCRAP METAL All grades. SMR 989-275-6041. (10/16/08/tf/6)

WANTED Junk vehicles, will haul, Paying cash. Call Gene at Wakeley's Auto Parts, 989-348-5079. (LR6/25/09/6)

SEEKING BIDS to remove scrap metal and other items. Call 989-390-1604. (-2-9/6)

8. Announcements

COMMUNITY CALENDAR Place your organization's events on Crawford County's Community Calendar. Go to crawford-countyavalanche.com, under services, to submit your event. For more information, call our office at 989-348-6811. (-3/19/09/tf/8)

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TO WHOEVER it may concern, Lorrie S. Ayers is changing her name back to Ardeth Loehr Selby Ayers. (-2-9/8)

SELF DEFENSE/AWARENESS for women program, presented by Sheriff Wakefield, will be held at the Devereaux Library on Tuesday, April 21, at 7 p.m. Sign up at library or call 989-348-9214. (-9-16/8)

9. Personals

DEAR DAD You know how you are 40? You really act 30! Happy birthday, love Boo. (-9/9)

HEY DAD Who's "over the hill?" Oh yeah, you! LOL, love you, Zack. (-9/9)

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